

WATSON PARK BRANCH

TOWN REPORT



1926

Printed by

THE BRAINTREE OBSERVER

PRATT & PRATT, Publishers

1927

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Receipts and Expenditures
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE
FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE
TOWN CLERK, SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, OVERSEERS OF
THE POOR AND HIGHWAY SURVEYORS, TOWN
TREASURER, ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPART-
MENT, WATER COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF
HEALTH, MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD,
TRUSTEES OF THE THAYER PUBLIC
LIBRARY AND THE BOARD OF
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Printed by Order of the Town



Printed by
THE BRAINTREE OBSERVER
PRATT & PRATT, Publishers

1927

Report of the Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

February 1, 1926.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town
of Braintree.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein to meet at polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling place in Precinct No. 1, Town Hall.

Polling place in Precinct No. 2, Legion Building,
Hollis Avenue.

Polling place in Precinct No. 3, Hose House, Allen
Street.

On Monday, the first day of March, 1926 at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Warden of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Moderator, Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, three Overseers of the Poor, three Highway Surveyors three Auditors, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, two members of the School Committee for a term of three

years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, one member of the Municipal Lighting Board for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, five members of the Planning Board for a term of one year, and fifteen Constables.

Also, to vote "Yes" or "No" upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?"

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at two o'clock in the afternoon.

You are further directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Monday, the 8th day of March, 1926, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose all Town Officers, except these elected by ballot.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current fiscal year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer, harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 4. To see if the Town will hold its Tax Collector harmless on his bond from any loss which

may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 5. To hear and act upon the report of the several boards of Town Officers, and any committee, and choose any committee the Town may think proper.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for salaries of the Town Officers and the expense of the several departments, including Town Counsel, the bond of the Town Treasurer and the bond of the Tax Collector.

Article 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of Registration and Elections.

TOWN HALL

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Town Hall and for the services of a Janitor and Assistant Janitor.

CHARITIES

Articles 9. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the poor, maintenance and repairs of the Braintree Home, the salaries of the superintendent and matron of the Braintree Home, the salary of the Visitor, salaries of the Overseers of the Poor, and the purchase of equipment for the Welfare Department.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under Chapter 118 of the General Laws.

SOLDIER'S BENEFITS

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of State Aid, military aid, soldier's burials and soldier's relief.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries, pensions and expenses of its Police Department, and for the necessary expenses required for the enforcement of the law, including court expenses, and the purchase of equipment for said department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Article 13. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Fire Department, and for the purchase of new apparatus or equipment therefor, for hydrant service, maintenance of the fire alarm, and for the purchase and installation of new fire alarm boxes.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain the land surrounding the fire engine house in Precinct No. 3, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for this purpose, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to report to the next Annual Town Meeting on the subject of the construction and erection of a building to house the Police Department and the Headquarters of the Fire Department.

INSPECTION

Article 16. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the sealing of weights and measures.

Article 17. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of Inspector of Buildings and expenses of his department.

Article 18. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of Inspector of Wires, and for the expenses of his department.

FORESTRY

Article 19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths, care and planting of trees, and forest fires.

Article 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of the Town having a forest.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect a sixty-eight foot steel Forest Fire Observation Tower on the summit of Turkey Hill in the Town of Holbrook, in accordance with section 5, Chapter 40, G. L.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 22. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of the Board of Health, including contagious diseases, vital statistics, inspection of milk, animals, slaughtering, meat and provisions and plumbing, dental clinic and tuberculosis nursing.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,179.97, being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners upon the Town for the care, maintenance and repairs of the Tuberculosis Hospital, in accordance with Chapter 286 of the General Acts of 1916.

Article 24. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 535 of the Acts of 1910, authorizing the construction of a system of sewerage.

Article 25. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 546 of the Acts of 1910, providing for the addition of the Town to the South Metropolitan Sewerage System.

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the construction of sewerage and drainage within the Town and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes or take any action relative thereto.

HIGHWAYS

Article 27. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, including salaries, repairs of highways, town ways and bridges; also, for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads, removal of snow, oiling streets, and purchase of equipment for said department.

Article 28. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for street lighting.

Article 29. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Pond Street, east of Fairview Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to rebuild and repair Smith Street and Smith Terrace.

Article 31. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Elmwood Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Hobart Avenue from Tremont Street to Hollingsworth Boulevard, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Academy Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Arbutus Avenue, from Standish Avenue to Washington Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Plymouth Avenue, from Washington Street to Arbutus Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 36. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and re-

building of Park Avenue, from Brewster Avenue to Putnam Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the building of a sidewalk on Washington Street in Braintree Highlands, between the Holbrook line and the entrance to the Norfolk County Hospital, or take any other action relative to sidewalks on said street, in that section of the Town.

Article 38. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of sidewalks on Summer Street in South Braintree, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 39. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Plain Street, from Cart Bridge to Grove Street, and Grove Street from Plain Street to the Weymouth line, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 40. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Union Street, from the location of the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co., in South Braintree to Commercial Street, in East Braintree, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 41. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild

the whole or any section or sections of Washington Street, from Capen's Bridge to and to include South Braintree Square, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 42. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding Independence Avenue from the Quincy Line to Capen's Bridge, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 43. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Center Street from Washington Street to the Quincy Line.

Article 44. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Harrison Avenue, from Cleveland Avenue to Middle Street.

Article 45. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Holmes Street from Fairfield Street to Washington Street.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to widen Washington Street from Common Street to Capen's Bridge on the westerly side and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 47. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct

a drain with catch basins on Elm Street, from Elm lawn Road to the Fore River track.

Article 48. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct a drain from the railroad crossing at Elm Street to the Monatiquot River.

Article 49. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to drain River Street, from Middle Street to Monatiquot River.

Article 50. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Nelson Street, from Shaw Street to Prospect Street.

Article 51. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Mill Lane, from Commercial to Shaw Street.

Article 52. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to construct and rebuild Somerville Avenue, from Shaw Street, 400 feet east.

Article 53. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of a suitable sidewalk on Quincy Avenue from Allen Street to the Quincy Line.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Standish Avenue, so-called, from Arbutus Avenue, to Myrtle Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Bellevue Avenue, from Washington Street to Phillips Road, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Brow Avenue, so-called as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Brow Avenue Extension, so-called as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to accept, as a town way, Plain Street from the Plain Street Cemetery to Liberty Street; also to see what sums of money the Town will raise to widen and rebuild Plain Street.

Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Massachusetts Avenue, from Washington Street to Arbutus Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Waldron Road, so-called, running westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 61. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Waldron Road, running westerly from Washington Street.

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hillview Road, so-called, running westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 63. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Hillview Road, running westerly from Washington Street.

Article 64. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsworth Street, so-called, lead-

ing from Mt. Vernon Street, easterly, then turning northerly to West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 65. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hawthorne Road, so-called, from Thorndike Street to Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 66. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Common Street, so-called, from Washington Street to Sunnyside Park, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 67. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Walnut Street Extension, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 68. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, the northerly Extension of Oak Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 69. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsmore Terrace, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 70. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hilltop Road, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 71. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Marshall Street, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 72. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Elmlawn Road, so-called, to a point 850 feet north from Elm Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 73. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Elmlawn Road.

Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Miller Street from Union Street to Marshall Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 75. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, May Avenue, so-called as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 76. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Dobson Road, so-called, from Commercial Street to Hobart Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 77. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Edgemont Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Shaw Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 78. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Bickford Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to the Nelson Estate, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 79. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to the water front and make an appropriation of a sum of money to resurface the said Pleasant View Avenue.

Article 80. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Azel Road, from its present northerly termination to Lakeview Avenue.

Article 81. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Abbot Street, so-called.

Article 82. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way Burroughs Road, so-called, 900 feet north of Elm Street.

Article 83. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Townsend Avenue, so-called, 320 feet west of Cleveland Avenue.

Article 84. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Drinkwater Avenue, so-called, leading southerly from Elm Street to Adams Street.

Article 85. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Devon Road, so-called, leading easterly from Drinkwater Avenue.

Article 86. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Inglewood Street, so-called, from Argyle Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 87. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Argyle Road, so-called, from Gordon Road to Harbor Villa Avenue.

Article 88. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Edge Hill Road Extension, from Edge Hill Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 89. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Wilkins Road, so-called from Dobson Road to North Bowditch Street, so-called.

LIBRARY

Article 90. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Thayer Public Library, for the distribution of books and for the services of a Janitor.

RECREATION

Article 91. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate to be expended upon Parks, Play-grounds and Public Lands of the Town, under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

Article 92. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of organized play or take any action relative thereto.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Article 93. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$11,613.55 for the Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$300.00 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board; the sum of \$10,000.00 for Bonds, and the sum of \$196,754.55 together with the sum of \$2,059.49, the unexpended balance of the year 1925, for operating expenses, renewals, repairs and new construction for the coming year.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Article 94. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Water Department, the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Water Commissioners, and the balance for operating expenses, extensions, renewals, repairs, new construction, and expenses of said department.

Article 95. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a stand pipe thereon and to extend its water mains to said stand pipe, and authorize the Treasurer; with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sum in accordance with the provisions of any general or special

act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 96. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct a water main from West Street to the Quincy line on Granite Street.

Article 97. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct a 6 in. main on the Town property, from Union Street to the Almshouse.

Article 98. To see if the Town will vote to reimburse Arthur B. Hayward for moneys expended by him for the laying of water mains on Park Avenue and Massachusetts Avenue in Braintree Highlands, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 99. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Water Commissioners to change their policy with respect to the financing of water mains in new layouts or take any other action relative thereto.

EDUCATION

Article 100. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools.

Article 101. To see what further sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping a new high school.

Article 102. To see what sums of money, in addition to any appropriated in the preceding article or at any prior meeting, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping a new high school building, and author-

ize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 103. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of making an extension or addition to the Penniman School, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sum in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 104. To see what action the Town will take with reference to the recommendations of the Committee appointed under Article 90, of the 1925 Annual Town Meeting, with respect to purchasing or taking by right of eminent domain certain parcels of land throughout the town for the purpose of future school sites, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for said purchasing or taking, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sum in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 105. To see if the Town will allow a drain to be constructed in the Hollis Field, so-called, to take care of the ground water or drainage from the proposed new High School Building to be erected on Washington Street next to said Hollis Field.

CEMETERY

Article 106. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and protection of the Plain Street Cemetery and for the laying out and grading of lots in said Cemetery.

Article 107. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of a superintendent of the Plain Street Cemetery.

INTEREST—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Article 108. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the payments due on the Municipal Indebtedness and the payment of interest on Town debt and on loans in anticipation of revenue.

PLANNING BOARD

Article 109. To see if the Town will instruct the Planning Board to prepare a comprehensive zoning plan for Braintree, and raise and appropriate sum of money for the same.

Article 110. To see if the Town will purchase or take by eminent domain land on the shore of Sunset Lake, north of the pumping station for public purposes, and raise and appropriate a sum money for the same.

Article 111. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain land at the four corners of Central Avenue and Tremont Street for highway purposes and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same, and for the widening of the ways at the junction of said streets.

UNCLASSIFIED—MISCELLANEOUS

Article 112. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

Article 113. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to assist Post 87, G. A. R., Braintree Post, 86, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lennon-Murray Post, N. 923, in defraying expenses of Memorial Day.

Article 114. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2,000.00 to provide a suitable building for the benefit of Lennon-Murray Post No. 923, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 115. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the Legion Building.

Article 116. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the insurance under the Employees Compensation Act.

Article 117. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay premiums on insurance policies of fire and liability.

Article 118. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for engineering.

Article 119. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to discontinue the house to house distribution of the Town reports, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 120. To see what sums of money, in addition to that appropriated under any other article, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for land damages resulting from taking of any land for highway purposes.

Article 121. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for land damages, resulting from the taking by the County Commissioners of land on Washington Street.

Article 122. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for suitable street signs and traffic signals.

Article 123. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to release to the Estate of Norton E. Hollis the interest of the Town in and to the real estate known as the "Town Pound" located on West Street in Braintree, Massachusetts, or what they will do with relation thereto.

Article 124. To see if the Town will vote to amend that part of Section 4, Article 11-A of the By-Laws, which has to do with fees, so that as amended it will read as follows—"Such fees as shall, from time to time, be determined by the Selectmen, shall be charged for all building permits issued by the Inspector of Buildings for the erection and alteration of buildings within the limits of the Town. Fees to accompany the application; to be refunded if permit is not granted."

Article 125. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 7, Article 5 of the By-Laws, so that said section as amended will read as follows:—"No personal property of the town shall be sold by an officer or board unless by vote of the Town or by the joint authorization of the Selectmen and of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, except that if its initial cost or value was \$200.00 or less, it may be sold by the authorization of the Selectmen; such authorization shall in each case (a) be in writing, (b) certify that the proposed selling price is fair, and (c) be filed with the Town Accountant."

Article 126. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 10 of the By-Laws by striking out the 17th section thereof, which requires that the documents with reference to streets which are proposed for acceptance shall include a letter from the Selectmen, stating that the street in question is well built and of average construction.

Article 127. To see what action the Town will take under Article XLVIII of the amendments to the constitution covering the proper initiative, namely II, Section, 3, for "An Act to permit certain sports and games on the Lord's Day."

Article 128. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairing and altering the so-called Monatiquot River Bridge on Quincy Avenue or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 129. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of inscribing the name of the Town of Braintree with the date of its incorporation on the Pilgrim Memorial Monument at Provincetown, Mass.

Article 130. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Ford Coupe purchased for the Welfare Department in 1923, and the Buick Roadster purchased for the Fire Department in 1923, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 131. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of a four-car garage to be attached to the rear of the Town Hall, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 132. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to take all necessary preliminary

steps, so that the limited Town Meeting Form of Government or a form of city charter may be placed before the citizens of the Town of Braintree for adoption, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 133. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Watson Street, so-called in Precinct Two.

Article 134. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Caswell Street, so-called in Precinct Two.

Article 135. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with Chapter 654 of the Acts of 1913, as a Reserve Fund.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said first day of March, 1926, and by publishing the same once each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this first day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

EDWARD AVERY,

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,

SHELLEY A. NEAL,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., February 11, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JEREMIAH F. GALVIN,

Constable of Braintree.

Town Hall,
Braintree, March 1, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the voters assembled in their several Precinct Polling Places to cast their ballots for the various town officers.

The Polls were opened in all Precincts at five forty-five o'clock A. M., and were closed at two o'clock, P. M.

The following Election Officers were sworn and served:

Precinct 1—J. Frank Lane, Warden; Dudley P. Howland, Clerk; Walter J. Robbins, Frank O'Rourke, Harry S. Snow, James M. Cutting, Stanley R. Sylvester, H. Parker Hobart, John Gallivan, Frank W. Pollock, Michael Novelline. Thomas Slavin, Constable.

Precinct 2—George E. Sampson, Warden; Edward J. Gogan, Clerk; Virgie M. Sears, George A. Arnold, Charles E. Hill, Francis J. Maher, Frank J. Mischler, Alfred H. Holbrook, Harry F. Vinton, Herbert Stackhouse, Harold S. Pratt, John J. Drinkwater, Jr., Alice M. Kirby. C. R. Bestick, Constable.

Precinct 3—Winfred G. Waite, Warden; William T. McCormick, Clerk; Louis F. Cashen, Thomas F. Mulligan, John Rafferty, Charles D. Sheehy, William D. Levangie, A. H. Armstrong, John H. Cahill, Leo F. Starr. Augustus T. Wentworth, Constable.

At the opening of the polls the Ballot-Boxes all registered O.

At the close of the polls the Ballot Boxes registered as follows:

Precinct One	1189
Precinct Two	1128
Precinct Three	1399

Names checked on Voting Lists:

Precinct One	1179
Precinct Two	1128
Precinct Three	1387

Whole number of Ballots counted:

Precinct One	1179
Precinct Two	1128
Precinct Three	1383

At the close of the polls the votes were counted, recorded, the result announced in each Precinct, the Ballots were then sealed and forwarded with the Total Vote Sheets to the Registrars of Voters, by which Board the votes were tabulated and the result announced in open meeting.

Following is the result in detail:

FOR MODERATOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Tot..
William F. Rogers	764	906	760	2430
Blanks	415	222	623	1260

William F. Rogers, elected and sworn.

FOR TOWN CLERK

Henry A. Monk	921	929	868	2718
Blanks	258	199	515	972

Henry A. Monk, elected and sworn, by Otis B. Oakman, Notary Public.

FOR SELECTMEN

Edward Avery	635	407	1034	2076
Edward T. Dwyer	585	725	406	1716
Jonathan W. French	830	912	552	2294
Shelley A. Neal	731	894	519	2144
Blanks	756	445	1639	2840

FOR OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Edward Avery	614	404	1005	2023
Edward T. Dwyer	576	719	400	1695
Jonathan W. French	817	904	546	2267
Shelley A. Neal	715	881	525	2121
Blanks	756	476	1673	2964

FOR HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Edward Avery	630	393	998	2021
Edward T. Dwyer	567	714	394	1675
Jonathan W. French	812	904	542	2258
Shelley A. Neal	713	875	517	2105
Blanks	834	498	1687	3019

Edward Avery, Jonathan W. French, Shelley A. Neal elected Selectmen, Overseers of Poor and Highway Surveyors, and all sworn separately for each office.

FOR TOWN TREASURER.

Otis B. Oakman	838	904	798	2540
Blanks	341	224	585	1150

Otis B. Oakman, elected and sworn.

FOR ASSESSOR (FOR THREE YEARS)

Charles S. Hannaford	476	536	554	1566
Roger Lakin	643	422	389	1454
Blanks	60	170	440	670

Charles S. Hannaford elected and sworn.

FOR WATER COMMISSIONER AND COMMISSION-
ER OF SINKING FUNDS
(FOR THREE YEARS)

George A. Walker	733	885	761	2379
Blanks	446	243	622	1311

George A. Walker elected and sworn.

FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE (FOR THREE YEARS)

Carrie F. Loring	719	886	743	2348
Ralph B. Woodsum	733	894	693	2320
Blanks	908	476	1328	2712

Carrie F. Loring and Ralph B. Woodsum, elected and sworn.

FOR AUDITORS

Ralph W. Arnold	628	767	647	2042
Herbert W. Curtis	580	713	606	1899
Paul Monaghan	610	551	418	1579
Charles H. Tobey	500	457	405	1356
Blanks	1219	902	2073	4194

Ralph W. Arnold, Herbert W. Curtis, Paul Monaghan elected and sworn.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR

Otis B. Oakman	759	887	716	2362
Blanks	420	241	667	1328

Otis B. Oakman, elected and sworn.

FOR MUNICIPAL LIGHTING BOARD
(FOR THREE YEARS)

Norton P. Potter	768	886	662	2316
Blanks	411	242	721	1374

Norton P. Potter, elected and sworn.

FOR BOARD OF HEALTH (FOR THREE YEARS)

Percy T. Richards	711	884	758	2353
Blanks	468	244	625	1337

Percy T. Richards, elected and sworn.

FOR PARK COMMISSIONER (FOR THREE YEARS)

Blanks	460	244	707	1411
--------	-----	-----	-----	------

Albert F. Hollis, elected and sworn.

FOR TREE WARDEN

Clarence R. Bestick	725	888	707	2320
Blanks	454	240	676	1370

Clarence R. Bestick, elected and sworn.

FOR PLANNING BOARD

Theron I. Cain	591	683	536	1810
Arthur G. Chapman	583	717	545	1845
Mark Hennebury	525	593	624	1742
John A. Ryan	432	450	509	1391
Merton A. Turner	553	704	508	1765
Wallace W. Wilson	527	519	416	1462
Blanks	2684	1974	3777	8435

Theron I. Cain, Arthur G. Chapman, Mark Hennebury, Merton A. Turner, Wallace W. Wilson, elected and sworn.

FOR CONSTABLES

Harvey J. Annis	605	830	551	1986
Walter S. Belyea	590	845	530	1965
Clarence R. Bestick	599	849	556	2004
Jeremiah F. Gallivan	616	843	583	2042
Christopher M. Garland	623	834	540	1997

Charles S. Hannaford	589	835	552	1976
John J. Heaney	618	835	560	2013
Mark Hennebury	610	827	674	2111
August Johnson	616	830	605	2051
N. Eric Nelson	638	829	527	1994
John P. Shay	637	829	533	1999
Thomas Slavin	627	829	511	1967
W. Gordon Stackhouse	9	4	40	53
Harry F. Vinton	600	820	538	1958
Augustus T. Wentworth	642	827	642	2111
Scattering	4	1	12	17
Blanks				137,706

Harvey J. Annis, Walter S. Belyea, Clarence R. Bestick, Jeremiah F. Gallivan, Christopher M. Garland, Charles S. Hannaford, John J. Heaney, Mark Hennebury, August Johnson, N. Eric Nelson, John P. Shay, Thomas Slavin, W. Gordon Stackhouse, Harry F. Vinton, Augustus T. Wentworth, elected and sworn.

A True Record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

March 13, 1926.

This is to certify that under a petition signed by James P. Gurney and other qualified voters of the Town of Braintree, and filed with the Town Clerk, March 4, 1926, requesting a recount of the votes cast on March 1st, 1926 for Edward Avery and Edward T. Dwyer for the offices of Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor and Highway Surveyor.

The Registrars of Voters appointed Tuesday, March 9, 1926 at seven o'clock in the evening at the Town House, Braintree, as the time and place of commencing said recount.

The recount was made in accordance with the provisions of Section 135 of Chapter 54 of the General Laws.

The result was as follows:

FOR SELECTMEN

	Original Return	Recount
Edward Avery	2076	2079
Edward T. Dwyer	1716	1720

FOR OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Edward Avery	2023	2028
Edward T. Dwyer	1695	1699

FOR HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Edward Avery	2021	2012
Edward T. Dwyer	1675	1681

Certified by the undersigned this 13th day of March, 1926.

HENRY A. MONK

WILLIAM ALLEN

JOSEPH S. DRINKWATER

W. CHESTER CONNELL

Registrars of Voters, Town of Braintree.

Town House

Braintree, March 8, 1926.

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:45 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator, William F. Rogers.

Article 1. Voted to elect 3 Measurers of Wood and Weighers of Hay.

Charles G. Sheppard, Wilford F. Woodsum and Fred W. Piercy, elected.

Voted to elect 3 Measurers of Lumber.

Herbert W. Borden, Charles O. Miller, Shelley A. Neal, elected.

Voted to instruct the Selectmen to appoint One Pound Keeper, Three Field Drivers and Three Fence Viewers.

Article 2. Voted that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be, and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenues of the financial year beginning January 1, 1926 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year.

Any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 3. Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, and is hereby made custodian of all moneys of the

several Departments of the Town; the Board of Water Commissioners are hereby instructed to elect the Town Treasurer, Treasurer of the Water Department; the Selectmen are hereby instructed to require from the Treasurer such a bond as in their judgment is necessary for the safety of such moneys; that the Treasurer be held harmless on his bond from any loss caused by the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit with the approval of the Selectmen.

Article 4. Voted, that the Tax Collector be held harmless on his bond from any loss caused by the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit with the approval of the Selectmen.

Article 5. The Finance Committee presented their report and recommendations in print.

Voted, to receive the report and to consider this article in conjunction with all other articles in the warrant.

Article 6. Voted, to appropriate the following amounts:

FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT

For Salary of Moderator	\$ 25.00
-----------------------------------	----------

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Salaries of Selectmen	\$1,650.00
For Expenses of Selectmen	700.00
For Clerk Hire	390.00

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Town Accountant	\$1,800.00
For Expenses	100.00

AUDITORS

For Salaries of Auditors\$ 225.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Collector\$1,000.00
(Plus Fees Estimated, \$300.00)

For Bond and Expenses 1,535.00

For Clerk Hire 950.00

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Town Treasurer\$1,500.00

For Bond and Expenses (including clerical
help) 500.00

ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT

For Salaries of Assessors\$2,400.00

For Expenses 850.00

For Clerical Help 900.00

TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Town Clerk\$ 800.00
(Plus Fees Estimated, \$500.00)

For Expenses 890.00

(Item for Clerical Help referred to Finance
Committee).

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

For Salary of Town Counsel\$ 600.00

For Expenses of Court Cases 300.00

REGISTRATION

Article 7. For Salaries of Registrars..\$ 300.00

For Election Officers 1,100.00

For Expenses 1,300.00

TOWN HALL

Article 8. For Salary of Janitor	\$ 900.00
For Salary of Assistant Janitor	1,261.00
For Maintenance and Support	2,000.00
For Repairs and Furnishings	1,254.80
For Grading Grounds	3,000.00

CHARITIES

Article 9. For Salaries of Overseers of Poor	\$ 600.00
For Clerk Hire	300.00
For Expenses of Department	50.00
For Salary of Visitor	1,404.00
For Expenses of Visitor	351.35
For Maintenance and Repair Braintree Home	6,200.00
For Outside Relief	8,000.00

Article 10. Voted to appropriate under
Chapter 118 of the General Laws the sum of \$9,000.00
(\$6,000.00 of which included in tax levy)

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Article 11. For State Aid and Soldiers' Burials (not included in tax levy)	\$1,175.00
For Soldiers' Relief	600.00
For Military Aid	100.00
(\$50.00 not in tax levy)	

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Article 12. Voted to appropriate	
For Salary of Chief	\$2,500.00
For Salaries of Force	16,567.00
For Salaries of Special Officers	155.00
For Pension (6 months)	625.00
For General and Court Expenses and Equip- ment	1,745.00
For Combination Patrol and Ambulance ...	2,431.00

Voted on motion of Mr. Avery that a committee of five be appointed to study modern police methods and to prepare a suitable set of rules and regulations for the government of the Police Department.

Joseph N. Welch, 51 Holmes St., Braintree

Charles A. Powers, Robinson Ave., Braintree

W. D. Aitken, East Braintree

H. B. Barham, East Braintree

F. G. Pennock, South Braintree

Appointed by the Moderator.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Article 13. For Salary of Chief	\$2,500.00
For Salary of Permanent Men	15,990.00
For Pay of Call Men	1,735.00
For Pay of Extra Men	1,700.00
For Qualey's Truck and Expenses	1,734.00
For General Expenses (including hydrant service)	3,485.00
For Supplies	2,363.00
For Maintenance of Buildings	500.00
For Chief's Car	1,568.00
(\$1,268.00 from tax levy)	
For Maintenance of Fire Alarm	2,200.00
For New Fire Alarm Boxes: Liberty at Div- ision St.; Edgemont Road; Clark St.; Hollis Ave. at Walnut St.; Liberty and Peach St; and Tapper at Pumping Station.	1,966.16
For Emergency Pung	100.00
For Insurance on Equipment	238.20

Article 14. Laid on the table.

Article 15. Indefinitely postponed.

INSPECTION

Article 16. For Salary of Sealer of Weights and Measures	\$ 500.00
For Expenses	250.00

Article 17. For Salary of Building In- spector	\$1,000.00
For Expenses	280.00

Article 18. Voted to establish the office of In-
spector of Wires without appropriation.

FORESTRY

Article 19. Voted to appropriate For Suppression of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	\$6,000.00
For Care and Planting Trees	1,000 00

Article 20. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 21. Indefinitely postponed.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 22. Voted to appropriate For Salaries of Board of Health and Secretary	\$ 700.00
For Fumigation and Care of Dumps	800.00
For Collection of Garbage	4,800.00
For Contagious Diseases	1,500.00
For Inspection of Milk	100.00
For Inspection of Plumbing	1,012.94
For Tuberculosis Clinic	200.00
For Dental Clinic	800.00
For Vital Statistics	109.25
For Inspection of Meats and Slaughtering..	350.00
For Inspection of Animals	125.00

Article 23. Voted to appropriate
For the Town's Portion of the Expense for

the Care, Maintenance and Repairs of
Norfolk County\$4,179.97

Article 24. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 25. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 26. Indefinitely postponed.

HIGHWAYS .

Article 27. Voted to appropriate

For Salary of Superintendent\$ 3,000.00

For Salary of Surveyors 150.00

For Clerical Help 300.00

For Expenses 100.00

For Insurance of Equipment 1,008.40

For General Repairs, Etc. 51,050.00

(Articles 31, 32, 33, 50 and 51 cared for
under this general item.)

For Private Work (not included in tax
levy) 2,000.00

Item of Snow Removal laid on table.

For Special Sidewalk Construction (2,500.00
to be expended in each precinct.) 7,500.00
(this cares for Article 38)

For Special Work:

For Rebuilding Adams Street from Fore
River R. R. to Commercial Street. 3,800.00

For Rebuilding Commercial Street from
Adams Street to Union Street 22,955.00

For Drainage on Franklin Street 12,500.00

For New Equipment:

For Cement Mixer 850.00

For Tractor and Snow Plow 5,800.00

For Asphalt Kettle 950.00

For Repairs to Flash Lights 250.00

For Sidewalks 171.47

(from Excess and Deficiency Fund)

Article 28. Voted to appropriate
 For Street Lighting \$ 9,225.00

Article 29. Voted to appropriate
 For Repairing and Rebuilding of Pond
 Street, East of Fairview Avenue 6,000.00

Article 30. Voted to appropriate
 For Rebuilding and Repairing Smith Street
 and Smith Terrace 697.20

Article 31. Provided for under Ar-
 ticle 27.

Article 32. Provided for under Ar-
 ticle 27.

Article 33. Provided for under Ar-
 ticle 27.

Article 34. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 35. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 36. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 37. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 38. Provided for by Article 27.

Article 39. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 40. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 41. Voted to appropriate
 For Widening Washington Street from Ca-
 pen's Bridge to Common Street 1,386.00
 From Hollis Avenue to River Street 12,921.50
 (from Excess and Deficiency Fund.
 From River Street to Storrs Square 5,601.00
 Storrs Square 1,577.00
 From French's Common to Thayer Place . . . 17,909.00
 (from Excess and Deficiency Fund.)
 For Land Damages 12,410.00

Article 42. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 43. Voted to appropriate
For Repairing and Rebuilding Center Street
from Washington Street to Quincy Line \$1,000.00
Voted on motion of Mr. Andrews that the Select-
men be appointed a committee to bring in recommend-
ations for relocation and repair of Center Street from
the R. R. Bridge to Independence Avenue.

Article 44. Voted to appropriate
For Constructing and Rebuilding Harrison
Avenue from Cleveland Avenue to
Middle Street 2,163.00

Article 45. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 46. Provided for under Article 41.

Article 47. Voted to appropriate
For Construction of a Drain with Catch
Basins on Elm Street from Elmlawn
Road to the Fore River Railroad Track 1,490.00

Article 48. Voted to appropriate
For Construction of a Drain from the rail-
road crossing at Elm Street to the
Monatiquot River. 540.00

Article 49. Voted to appropriate
For Draining River Street from Middle
Street to Monatiquot River 850.00

Article 50. Provided for under Article 27.

Article 51. Provided for under Article 27.

Article 52. Voted to appropriate
For Constructing and Rebuilding Somerville
Avenue from Shaw Street, 400 feet east 889.60

Article 53. Provided for under Article 27.

Article 54. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 55. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 56. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 57. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 58. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 59. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 60. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 61. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 62. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 63. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 64. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 65. Voted, to accept as a town way, Hawthorne Road, so-called, from Thorndike Street to Washington Street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 66. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 67. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 68. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 69. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 70. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 71. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 72. Voted, to accept as a town way Elm-lawn Road, so-called, to a point 850 feet north from Elm Street as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 73. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 74. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 75. Voted, to accept as a town way, May Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 76. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 77. Voted, to accept as a town way, Edgemont Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Shaw Street, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 78. Voted, to accept as a town way, Bickford Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to the Nelson Estate as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 79. Referred to next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 80. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Azel Road, from its present northerly termination to Lakeview Avenue.

Article 81. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Abbott Street, so-called.

Article 82. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Burroughs Road, so-called, 900 feet north from Elm Street.

Article 83. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Townsend Avenue, so-called, 320 feet west of Cleveland Avenue.

Article 84. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Drinkwater Avenue, so-called, leading southerly from Elm Street to Adams Street.

Article 85. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Devon Road, so-called, leading easterly from Drinkwater Avenue.

Article 86. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Inglewood Street, so-called, from Argyle Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 87. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Argyle Road, so-called, from Gordon Road to Harbor Villa Avenue.

Article 88. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Edge Hill Road Extension from Edge Hill Road to Vinedale Road.

Article 89. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out, as a town way, Wilkins Road, so-called, from Dobson Road to N. Bowditch Street, to-called.

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Article 90. For General Expenses	\$4,500.00
For Janitor	300.00
For Repairs to Roof	1,500.00

RECREATION

Article 91. To be Expended upon Parks Playgrounds and Public Lands of the Town under the direction of the Park Commissioners 1,333.00

Article 92. Voted, on motion of Mr. Trainor, to defray the expense of organized play the sum of 800.00
be appropriated.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Article 93. Voted, that the Town appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$11,613.55 for the Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$300.00 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board; the sum of \$11,400 for bonds and interest; and the balance of the earnings for 1926 together with the unexpended balance \$2,059.49 of the year 1925 for operating expenses, renewals, repairs and new construction for the coming year.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Article 94. Voted, to appropriate from the income of the Water Department the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Water Commissioners and the balance for operating expenses, extensions, renewals, repairs, new construction and expenses of the Department.

Article 95. Voted, that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$70,000 for the purpose of laying street water mains, to be six inches or more in diameter and for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a stand-pipe thereon, and that to meet the said appropriation the sum of \$20,000 shall be taken from the surplus water revenues, and the treas-

urer, with the approval of the Selectmen and Water Commissioners, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$50,000 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, Chapter 44 and to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19, thereof, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than ten years from the date of issue of the first bond or note or at such earlier dates as the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen may determine.

Further voted that the Water Commissioners shall fix sufficient rates to meet the expense of maintaining and operating the water supply system including the interest and the debt charges as they mature and the indebtedness herein authorized.

300 voted in the affirmative, none in the negative.

Article 96. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 97. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 98. Voted, to lay this Article on the table.

Article 99. Voted, that the present policy of the Water Board be continued.

At 10:30 o'clock P. M., it was voted to adjourn to Monday, March 15, 1926, at 7:45 o'clock, P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

Town House.

Braintree, March 15, 1926.

The Town met in accordance with adjournment from March 8th, Moderator Rogers in the chair.

Article 6. On the item of clerical help for Town Clerk, the Finance Committee recommended an appropriation of \$410, and that \$300 from the Assessor's Department, and \$90 from the Selectmen's Department, be transferred to the Town Clerk's Department.

Voted to adopt the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Article 9. Voted to increase the appropriation for expenses of Visitor \$270.15 making a total for expenses of \$621.50. \$50 not to be included in tax levy.

Article 14. Voted to take this article from the table.

Voted, that the Town, through its board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for Fire Department or Municipal purposes, a lot of land about 6000 square feet, lying on each side of, and in the rear of the Fire Engine House in Precinct 3, and that the town appropriate the sum of \$175.00 to be expended by the Selectmen, so far as necessary to pay for the same.

Article 77. Voted to reconsider previous action under this article.

Voted to accept as a town way Edgemont Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue, to a point 1200 feet west from Quincy Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 98. Voted to take this Article from the table.

Voted, to indefinitely postpone.

EDUCATION

Article 100. Voted to appropriate
 For Salaries of Teachers\$157,572.50
 For General Expenses, including Repairs
 to Buildings 72,727.20

Article 101. Voted, that the Building Committee be and hereby is authorized to contract for extra construction which it deems advisable and includes balcony in auditorium and special brick for the new High School Building up to \$1,500.00.

Article 103. Motion that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$49,624 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Penniman School, such addition to increase the floor space of the said School, and to meet the said appropriation \$4,624 dollars thereof shall be included in the tax levy of the current year and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$45,000 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, Chapter 44, and payable in accordance with Section 19, thereof so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years, from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes, or at such earlier dates as the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen shall determine, and that a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator to act for and in behalf of the Town with full power to employ architects, secure bids, and let contracts in the name of the Town, and to do any and all acts necessary to construct and equip said buildings within the aforesaid appropriations, and that said committee shall endeavor to have aforesaid construction carried to completion before September 15, 1926.

Above motion carried, 200 voting in affirmative; none in the negative.

The Moderator appointed H. F. Arnold, W. H. J. Fitzgerald, Ralph Woodsum, C. O. Miller and Walter R. Howland as the Committee.

Article 104. Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for Park, School or Municipal purposes, all or such part as they deem necessary, of a lot of land of about five (5) acres, situated at Braintree Highlands said land being owned by one Roulston and lying between Washington Street and Liberty Street, and hereby raises and appropriates the sum of twenty five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same.

250 voting in the affirmative; none in the negative.

At 10:30 o'clock P. M., the meeting voted to adjourn to Monday, March 22, 1926, at 7:45 P. M.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. Monk,

Town Clerk.

Town Hall,

Braintree, March 22, 1926.

The Town met in accordance with adjournment from March 15. The meeting opened at 7:50 o'clock P. M., Moderator Rogers in the chair.

Article 104. Under consideration.

Motion to reconsider the vote passed under this article at the last meeting, not carried.

Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for School or Municipal purposes a lot of land adjacent to the south line of the present Penniman School lot, ninety (90) feet wide and extending from Cleveland Avenue

to Monatiquot River, and it hereby raises and appropriates the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same.

150 voting in the affirmative; none in the negative.

Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain for School or Municipal purposes, a lot of land about twenty-six thousand (26,000) square feet lying between the Jonas Perkins School lot and Faxon Street, and it hereby raises and appropriates eighteen hundred dollars (\$1,800) to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same.

100 voted in the affirmative; 2 in the negative.

Article 105. Voted, that the Town allow a drain to be constructed in the Hollis Field, so-called, to take care of the ground water or drainage from the proposed new High School Building to be erected on Washington Street.

CEMETERY

Article 106. Voted, to appropriate the sum of \$14,900.0 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund, for the care and protection of Plain Street Cemetery and for the laying out and grading of lots in said Cemetery.

Article 107. For Salary of Superintendent \$500.00

INTEREST—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Article 108. For Payment of Debts

Town Hall	\$ 2,000.00
Norfolk County Hospital . .	1,000.00
Schools	19,500.00

\$22,500.00

For Payment of Interest

Town Hall	520.00
Norfolk County Hospital ..	450.00
Schools	9,998.75
Anticipation of Revenue ..	5,000.00

\$15,968.75

PLANNING BOARD

Article 109. Voted, that the Moderator appoint a Committee of six, two from each precinct, to work with the Planning Board on Zoning, and that the sum of \$1,700 be raised and appropriated to pay the expense of this work.

Herbert A. Bryant
Merton L. Emerson
Paul Monaghan
Joseph W. Parker, 106 Standish Ave.
Charles O. Miller
J. Caleb Justice

Appointed by the Moderator.

Article 110. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 111. Voted, that the Town through its Board of Selectmen purchase or take by eminent domain for highway or municipal purposes about 900 square feet of land located on the four corners at the junction of Tremont Street and Central Avenue and hereby raise and appropriate \$90.00 to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for same.

100 voting in the affirmative; none in the negative.

Voted, to raise and appropriate for the widening and construction of the highway at the junction of Tremont Street and Central Avenue\$810.00

Article 9. Taken up.

Voted, to amend the records of the adjourned meeting held on March 15, 1926, so as to read that the sum of \$621.50 be added to the appropriation for expenses of visitor, instead of \$270.15 as recorded.

UNCLASSIFIED—MISCELLANEOUS

Article 112. Voted to appropriate
For Miscellaneous Expenses\$4,220.00

Article 113. Voted to appropriate
For Expenses of Memorial Day, to Post 87,
G. A. R.\$200.00
Post 86, American Legion 100.00
Post 923, Veterans For'n Wars 100.00

\$400.00

Article 114. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 115. Voted to appropriate
For Repair Legion Building\$ 500.00

Article 116. Voted to appropriate
For Insurance under Employees' Compensation Act 2,200.00

Article 117. Voted to appropriate
For Fire and Liability 3,952.98

Article 118. Voted to appropriate
For Engineering 2,700.00

Article 119. Voted, that the Selectmen continue the house to house distribution of Town reports.

Article 120. Voted to appropriate
For Land Damage taken for May Avenue 50.00

Article 121. Cared for under Article 41.

Article 122. Voted to appropriate
For Street Signs and Signals 1,438.70

Article 123. Voted, to authorize the Selectmen to release to the Estate of Norton E. Hollis, the interest of the town in and to the real estate known as the "Town Pound" located on West Street, in Braintree, Mass.

Article 124. Voted, to amend that part of Section 4, Article 11A of the By-Laws, so to read as follows: Such fees as shall from time to time be determined by the Selectmen shall be charged for all building permits issued by the Inspector of Buildings for the erection and alteration of buildings within the limits of the Town. Fees to accompany the application; to be refunded if permit is not granted .

Voted, that on buildings or alterations costing \$5,000 or less, a fee of \$5.00.

On buildings or alterations costing more than \$5,000, a fee of \$5.00 plus an additional fee of fifty cents for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof, by which the cost of such buildings or alterations exceeds \$5,000. The total amount of the fee in no case to exceed \$500.

Vote unanimous. Disapproved by the Attorney-General.

Article 125. Voted, to amend Section 7, of Art. of the By-Laws, so as to read as follows:

No personal property of the Town shall be sold by any officer or board unless by vote of the Town or by the joint authorization of the Selectmen and of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, except that if its initial cost or value was \$200, or less, it may be sold by the authorization of the Selectmen; such authorization shall in each case; (a) be in writing, (b)

certify that the proposed selling price is fair, and (c) be filed with the Town Accountant.

The vote unanimous. Approved by the Attorney-General.

Article 126. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 127. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 128. Indefinitely postponed.

Article 129. Voted, to appropriate
For the Purpose of having the name of the
Town of Braintree with the date of its
incorporation inscribed on the Pilgrim
Memorial Monument at Provincetown,
Mass. \$130.00

Article 130. Voted, to authorize the Selectmen
to sell the Ford Coupe purchased for the Welfare De-
partment in 1923, and the Buick Roadster purchased
for the Fire Department in 1923.

Article 131. Voted to appropriate
For the Construction of a four-car garage to
be attached to the rear of the Town
House \$2,500.00

Article 132. Voted, that a Citizens Committee
of six be appointed by the Moderator to make a study
of the methods by which the system of governing the
Town's Affairs may be improved and to make a report
of its findings at the next Annual Town Meeting.

The Moderator appointed the following com-
mittee: George L. Anderson, John W. Harding, J. Her-
bert Walsh, Joseph A. McCusker, Edward J. Sullivan,
and Charles G. Newcomb.

Article 133. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Watson Street, so-called, in Precinct 2.

Article 134. Voted, to instruct the Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Caswell Street, so-called, in Precinct 2.

Article 102. Voted, that there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$40,000 dollars for the purpose of constructing the new High School Building including the cost of original equipment and furnishings and to meet the said appropriation, \$4,200 thereof shall be included in the tax levy of the current year, and the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$35,800, and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, Chapter 44, and payable in accordance with Section 19, thereof, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes, or at such earlier dates as the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen shall determine.

Article 27. Voted to appropriate
 For Removal of Snow \$20,000.00
 For Automobile for Superintendent Streets 919.66
 (\$250 of which not included in tax levy.)

317 voted in the affirmative and 49 in the negative. Mr. Higgins moved to reconsider; not carried.

Article 135. Voted to appropriate
 For Reserve Fund under Chapter 654,

Acts of 1913. 6,000.00

In accordance with the By-Laws, the Moderator

appointed the following Finance Committee: James H. Maxwell, for one year (to fill vacancy); Charles S. Marshall, for two years (to fill vacancy); Albert E. Bentham, Walter R. Howland, George L. Anderson, Charles O. Miller and Charles W. Laing for a term of three years.

Voted to appropriate in the aggregate \$834,518.67, and that \$607,518.66 of that sum be raised by taxation in the current year.

At 9:40 o'clock P. M., voted to adjourn without date.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Braintree.

On Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, 1926, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To hear and act upon the report of any committee and to choose any committee the Town may think proper.

Article 2. To see if the Town will rescind the vote passed under article 103 at the annual town meeting of 1926, relating to an addition to the Penniman School and to see if the town will authorize the acquisition of land in the town by eminent domain or otherwise for the construction of a school building and to see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring the said land and for the construction of a school building thereon, including the cost of original equipment and furnishing and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 3. To see what further sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of making an extension or addition to the Penniman School and for the original furnishing and equipping of said extension or addition, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 4. To see what sums of money in addition to any appropriated in the preceding article or at any prior meeting the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs to and replacements or alterations in the Penniman School Building or take any action relative thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will amend the vote passed under Article 95 of the warrant for the annual town meeting of 1926 relating to the acquisition of land and the constructing of a standpipe and the extension of water mains thereto, so as to provide that the moneys raised and appropriated by the said vote shall be used for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a stand-pipe thereon and extending the water mains of the town of six inches or more in diameter, to the said standpipe, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for grading the Noah Torrey School site or take any action relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow such further sums for the purpose of carrying out decree No. 607 of the County Commissioners in regard to the widening and relocation of Commercial Street and Quincy Avenue to the Weymouth Town Line or act in any manner in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to appropriate for repairs to and maintenance of the Monatiquot River Bridge, so-called, on Quincy Avenue.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to the water front and make an appropriation of a sum of money to resurface the said Pleasant View Avenue.

Article 10. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Board of Health.

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the poor.

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the removal and planting of trees.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct a water main on Sagamore Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for grading the Hollis Playground.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain land of Mary Leatherbee on the easterly side of Tremont Street, bordering on French's Common, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase or taking of this land, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise for pensions to be paid to any persons by virtue of Section 77 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to petition the General Court for the passage of a special act, permitting the Town to pension Frank O. Whitmarsh, for many years a call member of the Fire Department.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said twenty-sixth day of July, 1926, and by publishing the same once each week for two

successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this seventh day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,
SHELLEY A. NEAL,
EDWARD AVERY
Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,
Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., July 9, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and place mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,
Constable of Braintree.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Town House,
Braintree, July 26, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the Town met at the place specified.

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 o'clock,

P. M. by the Town Clerk.

The Moderator being absent, the Town elected by ballot, Mr. William P. Kelley as Moderator, pro tem.

Reading of the warrant except the officers service, was by vote dispensed with.

The Town also by vote waived the reading the records of the previous meeting.

Article 1. Voted to consider article 1 in conjunction with all other articles of the warrant.

The Finance Committee reported by a printed document which was received and considered by items.

Article 2. Relating to Penniman School; voted that no action be taken.

Article 3. Moved by Mr. Arnold, that in addition to the moneys heretofore raised and appropriated by a vote passed at the annual town meeting in 1926, under Article 103 of the warrant, there is hereby raised and appropriated the sum of \$16,000 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Penniman School, including the cost of original equipment and furnishings; such addition to increase the floor space of the said building, and to meet the said appropriation, the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum and to issue bonds or notes of the town to the amount of \$16,000 therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, C. 44 and payable in accordance with Section 19 thereof so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes, or at such earlier dates as the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, shall determine.

And that said sum of \$16,000 dollars be expended under the direction of the committee heretofore appointed by the Moderator pursuant to the vote of the Town under said Article 103 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926.

Moved by Mr. Andrews that the motion before the meeting be amended by striking out the words "sixteen thousand dollars" and inserting in their place the words "fifty one thousand dollars" and inserting after the name "Penniman School" the words "said addition to consist of six class rooms and an assembly Hall" so that the motion as amended will read as follows: In addition to the moneys heretofore raised and appropriated by a vote passed at the annual town meeting in 1926 under Article 103 of the Warrant, there is hereby raised and appropriated the sum of \$51,000.00 for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Penniman School, said addition to consist of six class rooms and an assembly Hall, including the original equipment and furnishings; such addition to increase the floor space of the said school, and to meet the said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the said sum and to issue bonds or notes of the town to the amount of \$51,000 therefor, the said bonds or notes to be issued pursuant to the General Laws, C. 44, and payable in accordance with Section 19 thereof, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the said bonds or notes or at such earlier dates as the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, shall determine. And that said sum of \$51,000.00 be expended under the direction of the committee heretofore appointed by the Moderator pursuant to the vote of the Town under said Article 103 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926.

Voted to adopt the amendment, as offered by Mr. Andrews.

Voted to adopt the motion, as amended, 179 voting in the affirmative and 71 in the negative.

Article 4. Voted that no action be taken.

Article 5. Voted, on motion of Mr. French, that the vote passed at the annual town meeting of 1926, under Article 95 of the warrant, relating to the acquiring of land and constructing a standpipe thereon and the extension of water mains thereto, is hereby amended to provide that the moneys raised and appropriated under the said vote shall be used for the purpose of acquiring land and constructing a standpipe thereon and extending the water mains of the town of six inches or more in diameter to the said standpipe. This vote was unanimous.

Article 6. Voted that no action be taken.

Article 7. The Finance Committee recommended that this matter be referred to the next annual town meeting. Mr. Justice moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,681.00 for the purpose of the widening and relocation of Commercial Street and Quincy Avenue to the Weymouth Town Line, in accordance with the lay out by the County Commissioners for the County of Norfolk under their Decree numbered 607; for the payment of land damages accrued and accruing by reason thereof; for the cost of the removal of buildings and ledges therefrom; for the cost of street and sidewalk constructions thereon and for the necessary and incidental expenses for any of the foregoing purposes; and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be, and he hereby is, authorized to borrow said sum of \$55,681.00, and to issue therefor, bonds or notes of the Town, to be pay-

able in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, Section 19, and Acts in addition thereto and in amendment thereof, so that the whole of said loan shall be due and payable in not more than ten years from the date of the issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier date as the Treasurer and Selectmen shall determine.

The Moderator ruled that the matter of reference took the precedent and that motion being put before the meeting, it was so voted to refer to the next Annual Town Meeting, by a vote of 255 in the affirmative and 63 in the negative.

Article 8. Voted to appropriate for repairs and maintenance of the Monatiquot River Bridge on Quincy Avenue, the sum of \$2,700.00 to be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund.

Article 9. Voted to accept, as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to a point 1400 feet easterly.

Article 10. Voted to appropriate for the expenses of the Board of Health, the sum of \$2,000.00 to be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund.

Article 11. No action taken.

Article 12. No action taken.

Article 13. No action taken.

Article 14. No action taken.

Article 15. Voted, on motion of Mr. French, that the Town, through the Board of Selectmen, purchase or take by eminent domain all or such part as they deem necessary of a lot of land situated between French's Common and Tremont Street, owned by Mary Leatherbee, and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from

the Excess and Deficiency Fund, to be expended by the Selectmen so far as necessary to pay for the same. 131 voting in the affirmative and 18 in the negative.

Article 16. Voted to refer this matter to the next annual town meeting.

Article 17. Voted that no action is necessary.

Article 18. Voted to take no action.

Voted to adjourn, sine die, at ten o'clock, P. M.

A true record. Attest:

HENRY A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Town Hall.

Polling Place in Precinct 2, Legion Building, Hollis Avenue.

Polling Place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

Tuesday, the Fourteenth day of September, 1926, at one o'clock, P. M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers

for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney-General, Senator in Congress (to fill vacancy), Representative in Congress, Councillor, Senator, Representative in General Court, one County Commissioner, two Associate Commissioners, District Attorney, and Sheriff.

And for the Election of the following officers:

District Member of State Committee for each political party for the Norfolk Senatorial District, Members of the Republican Town Committee, Members of the Democratic Town Committee, Delegates to State Conventions of the Republican Party, Delegates to State Conventions of the Democratic Party.

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will open at one o'clock and will close at eight o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said fourteenth day of September, 1926, and by publishing the same one each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this sixteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,

SHELLEY A. NEAL,

EDWARD AVERY,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HENEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., August 24, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

State Primaries

Braintree, September 14, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the State Primary was held by Precincts. The polls were opened at one o'clock, P. M., and were closed at eight o'clock, P. M. The Election Officers serving were as follows:

PRECINCT ONE—J. Frank Lane, Warden; Dudley P. Howland, Clerk; Walter J. Robbins, Frank O'Rourke, Harry S. Snow, James M. Cutting, Stanley R. Sylvester, H. Parker Hobart, John Gallivan, Frank W. Pollock, Michael Novelline, Thomas Slavin, Constable.

PRECINCT TWO—George E. Sampson, Warden; Virgie M. Sears, Clerk; John J. Drinkwater, Jr., Charles Hill, Charles Cavanaugh, Frank Mischler, Alfred H. Holbrook, Harry Vinton, Herbert Stackhouse, Harold Pratt, Alice M. Kirby, Francis Maher, Clarence Bestick, Constable.

PRECINCT THREE—Winfred G. Waite, Warden; Clinton J. Scollard, Clerk; Thomas F. Mulligan, William J. Quinlan, John F. Rafferty, William D. Levangie, John Riley, Arthur L. Armstrong. John A. Ryan, Thomas F. Cassidy, Charles D. Sheehy, Louis F. Cashen, Augustus Wentworth, Constable.

The ballots of each political party were counted separately, declared sealed and recorded according to law.

The result of the ballot was as follows:

Precinct One	D 41	R 545
Precinct Two	D 25	R 591
Precinct Three	D 21	R 808
<hr/>		
Total	87	1944

The result in detail:

FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES

FOR GOVERNOR

Alvan T. Fuller	R	1529
William A. Gaston	D	62

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Frank G. Allen	R	1432
Harry J. Dooley	D	32
Joseph B. Eli	D	28

FOR SECRETARY

Frederic W. Cook	R	1358
Frank W. Cavanaugh	D	44

FOR TREASURER

William S. Youngman	R	1358
Daniel England	D	58

FOR AUDITOR

Alonzo B. Cook	R	1301
Strabo V. Claggett	D	56

FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Elijah Adlow	R	364
Alexander Lincoln	R	435
Arthur K. Reading	R	507
John E. Swift	D	31
Harold Williams, Jr.	D	31

FOR SENATOR IN CONGRESS (To fill vacancy)

William M. Butler R	1343
David I. Walsh D	71

FOR CONGRESSMAN

Louis A. Frothingham . R	1396
J. Wilfred Richard . . . R	120
Joseph La Fontaine . . . D	30
Frank A. Manning D	33

FOR COUNCILLOR

Chester I. Campbell . . R	844
Washington Cook R	138
William W. Ollendorff R	397
Peter L. Rowell R	14
Augustus W. Perry . . . D	36
Otho L. Schofield D	13

FOR SENATOR

Henry L. Kincaide R	942
Andrew H. Morrison . R	335
Everett R. Prout R	529

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Edward Avery R	1230
Helen M. Ellsworth . . R	591

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Frederick A. Leavitt . . R	1265
--------------------------------------	------

FOR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS

Walter E. Piper R	1184
---------------------------------------	------

FOR DISTRICT-ATTORNEY

Winfield M. Wilbar . . R	1287
------------------------------------	------

FOR SHERIFF

Samuel H. Capen R	1265
Samuel H. Capen D	45

FOR STATE COMMITTEE

Walter F. Stephens . . . R 930

ELECTED

DELEGATES TO REPUBLICAN STATE

CONVENTION

George W. Stevens, Edwin B. Pillsbury, Stella Jones Merriam, Shelley A. Neal, Albert E. Roberts, Hartley L. White, Howard B. Blewett, George A. Walker, William J. Kelley, John E. Maloney.

NO DEMOCRATIC DELEGATES ELECTED

REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Prario	692
Maria B. Hollis	704
Julia S. French	693
Alida N. Stevens	716
Daisy R. Nightingale	691
Felix H. Atkinson	724
Franklin H. Merriam	709
Frank C. Allen	709
Dwight A. Chandler	704
Michael L. Sullivan	699
Helen M. Ellsworth	704
Carolyn G. Williams	693
Bertha O. McKean	712
Mabelle Blanche C. Warren	694
Hartley L. White	725
Howard B. Blewett	697
Shelley A. Neal	715
Albert R. Qualey	709
James E. Folsom	716
George A. Walker	720
Walter B. Skinner	709
Allen Lawson	715

Jessie McGregor	684
William P. Kelley	707
Edward Avery	839
Percy T. Richards	701
Mark Hennebury	691
John H. Cahill	684
James H. Dignan	690
Morrill R. Allen	705
Kathryne E. Schraut	693
Laurence A. Trainor	700
Charles O. Miller	705

The above named were duly elected.

Thomas F. Croke, Alice M. Smith, William E. Condon and James H. Starkey, were tied at 683 votes.

DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE

Arthur L. Armstrong	47
Thomas F. Mulligan	48
John A. Ryan	47
Russell L. Boutin	45
John T. Powers	47
John J. Foley	49
Joseph S. Drinkwater	50
John F. Gullivan	51
Timothy D. Sullivan	49

The above named were duly elected.

Leo Halpin, Frank O'Rourke, Michael Novelline and James O'Keefe, were tied at 21 votes.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Norfolk, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree qualified to vote in elections therein, to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling Place in Precinct 1, Town Hall..

Polling Place in Precinct 2, Legion Building, Hollis Avenue.

Polling Place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

On Tuesday, the second day of November, 1926, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the Wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Senator in Congress to fill vacancy, Congressman, Councillor, Senator, Representative in General Court, 1 County Commissioner, 2 Associate County Commissioners, District Attorney, Sheriff.

Also to vote on the following questions on the same ballot:

Acceptance of the following

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Article of Amendment. Article II of the amendment to the constitution of the commonwealth is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph: Nothing in this article shall

prevent the general court from establishing in any corporate town or towns in this commonwealth containing more than six thousand inhabitants of the town government providing for a town meeting limited to such inhabitants of the town as may be elected to meet, deliberate, act and vote in the exercise of the corporate powers of the town subject to such restrictions and regulations as the general court may prescribe; provided, that such establishment be with the consent, and on the application of a majority of the inhabitants of such town, present and voting thereon, pursuant to a vote at a meeting duly warned and holden for that purpose.

Acceptance of the following

LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Proposed Law. An act relative to the veterans' preference in employment in the civil service.

The polls will closed at four o'clock in the afternoon.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each precinct, in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said second day of November, 1926, and by publishing the same one each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree this eighteenth day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hunder and twenty-six.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH,
SHELLEY A. NEAL,
EDWARD AVERY,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., October 18, 1926.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, November 2, 1926.

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the voters assembled in the several precincts to cast their ballots for the various State Officers enumerated on said ballot and also to vote on the questions submitted. The official ballots were delivered to the Wardens of the several precincts and receipted for. The polls were opened in all the precincts at 5:45 A. M., and were closed at four o'clock, P. M. The following Election Officers served:

PRECINCT ONE—J. Frank Lane, Warden; G. Dallas Willis, Clerk; Harry S. Snow, John Gallivan, M. P. Novelline, Frank S. Pollock, James M. Cutting, Stanley R. Sylvester, Walter B. Robbins, H. P. Hobart, Francis M. O'Rourke, Charles P. Morse, Thomas Slavin, Constable.

PRECINCT TWO—George E. Sampson, Warden; Virgie Sears, Clerk; George Arnold, Alfred Holbrook, Alice Kirby, John Drinkwater, Jr., Harry Vinton, Francis Mahar, Harold Pratt, Frank Mischler, Charles Hill, H. F. Stackhouse. Clarence Bestick, Constable.

PRECINCT THREE—Winfred G. Waite, Warden; Thomas F. Cassidy, Clerk; Thomas F. Mulligan, Jr., John A. Ryan, Arthur L. Armstrong, William D. Levangie, William J. Quinlan, Louis F. Cashen, Charles D. Sheehy, John Rafferty, James B. Riley. Augustus T. Wentworth, Constable.

The following Supervisors, appointed by the Governor, were also present and served: Amos J. Loring, Paul Monaghan.

The ballots were counted, record was made of the votes for each office and person and also the vote on each question submitted and the result declared in each precinct. The ballots, the check lists, etc., were sealed, labelled, according to law, the returns were then forwarded to the Town Clerk's office, where they were tabulated by the Board of Selectmen and Town Clerk, and the result of the total vote announced in open meeting.

The result of the ballot was as follows:

FOR GOVERNOR

Alvan T. Fuller, of Malden	2889
William A. Gaston, of Boston	947
Walter S. Hutchins, of Greenfield	14
Samuel Leger, of Boston	0
Louis Mark, of Boston	9
Blanks	121

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Frank G. Allen, of Norwood	2826
Daniel T. Blessington, of Somerville	10
Albert Odie, of Brockton	19
Dennis F. Reagan, of Brockton	24
Edmund P. Talbot, of Fall River	805
Blanks	296

FOR SECRETARY

Harry J. Canter, of Boston	81
Frank W. Cavanaugh, of Newton	787
Frederic W. Cook, of Somerville	2573
Stephen S. Surridge, of Lynn	12
Edith M. Williams, of Brookline	36
Blanks	491

FOR TREASURER

Albert Sprague Coolidge, of Pittsfield	56
Winfield A. Dwyer, of Boston	75
Daniel England, of Pittsfield	734
Henry Hess, of Boston	19
William S. Youngman, of Brookline	2556
Blanks	540

FOR AUDITOR

Leon Arkin, of Boston	32
Strabo Claggett, of Newton	1046
Alonzo B. Cook, of Boston	2249
Emma P. Hutchins, of Boston	44
John R. Mac Kinnon, of Lowell	16
Blanks	593

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

Isadore Harris, of Boston	30
Max Lerner, of Worcester	27
Arthur K. Reading, of Cambridge	2617
John Weaver Sherman, of Boston	22
John E. Swift, of Milford	740
Blanks	544

FOR SENATOR IN CONGRESS (To fill vacancy)

John J. Ballam, of Boston	18
William M. Butler, of Boston	2206
Washington Cook, of Sharon	22
Alfred Baker Lewis, of Cambridge	7
David I. Walsh, of Fitchburg	1607
Blanks	120

FOR CONGRESSMAN

Louis A. Frothingham, of Easton	2827
Frank A. Manning, of Brockton	722
Blanks	431

FOR COUNCILLOR

Chester I. Campbell, of Quincy	2684
Augustus W. Perry, of Boston	690
Blanks	606

FOR SENATOR

John J. Gallagher, of Milton	976
Henry L. Kincaide, of Quincy	2693
Blanks	311

FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Edward Avery, of Braintree	2430
Helen M. Ellsworth, of Braintree	1377
Blanks	173

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Frederick Leavitt, of Brookline	2693
Blanks	1287

FOR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS

Walter E. Piper, of Quincy	2635
Ernest H. Gilbert, of Stoughton	10
Scattering	6
Blanks	5309

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Winfield M. Wilbar, of Brockton	2705
Blanks	1275

FOR SHERIFF

Samuel H. Capen, of Dedham	2597
Blanks	1383

QUESTION NO. 1.

Shall an amendment to the constitution which authorizes the General Court to establish in any corporate town containing more than six thousand inhabitants a form of government providing for town meetings limited to such inhabitants of the town as may be elected for the purpose, which received in a joint session of the two Houses held May 29, 1924, 189 votes in the affirmative and 40 in the negative, and at a joint session of the two Houses held March 18, 1925, received 262 votes in the affirmative and 4 in the negative, be approved?

Yes	1533
No	731
Blanks	1696

QUESTION NO. 2.

Shall a law which amends existing law by striking out the provisions that veterans who pass Civil Service examinations shall be placed upon the eligible lists above all other applicants, that disabled veterans shall be placed ahead of all other veterans, and that disabled veterans shall be appointed and employed in preference to all other persons; and by providing in place thereof, that five points shall be added to the mark of veterans who pass such examinations, and ten points to the mark of disabled veterans, which law was disapproved in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 34 in the negative, and in the House of Representatives by a vote of 11 in the affirmative and 181 in the negative, be approved?

Yes	1194
No	1472
Blanks	1314

The whole number of ballots cast—3980. Precinct One: 1221; Precinct Two: 1380; Precinct Three: 1379.

A true record. Attest:

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

DOG LICENSES ISSUED TO DEC. 1, 1926.

Whole number	527
386 Males at \$2.00 each	\$ 772.00
89 Females at \$5.00 each	445.00
51 Females (Spayed) at \$2.00 each	102.00
1 Breeders License at \$50.00	50.00
	<hr/>
	\$1,369.00

CR.

June 1, By Cash Paid County Treasurer	681.00
Dec. 1, By Cash Paid County Treasurer	582.60
Town Clerk's Fees Retained	105.40
	<hr/>
	\$1,369.00

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

SPORTING AND TRAPPING LICENSES

Whole number issued, value	711.25
----------------------------------	--------

CR.

By Cash paid Div. of Fisheries and Game as per vouchers	630.00
Town Clerk's Fee Retained	81.25
	<hr/>
	\$ 711.25

H. A. MONK,

Town Clerk.

Births in 1926

JANUARY

Date	Name	Parent's Names
1	John Rossi, Jr.	John and Marianna
1	————— Currie	Joseph and Katherine A.
1	Theresa Mary Currie	Joseph and Katherine A.
3	Isabelle Irene Wetherbee	Lawrence R. and Gladys C. I.
4	John Francis Howland	John P. and Mary S.
8	Stillborn	
11	Robert True Love	Walter S. and Alice B.
12	Virginia Gardner	Everett T. and Mabel F.
15	Berkley Ashton Eastman	Frederick G. and Marie B.
15	Marion Laura Baker	Abbott and Anna McL.
16	Walter Murphy	Andrew D. and Katherine H.
16	Gilbert Elwood Parmenter	Alphonse O. and Mary E.
17	John Sanford Gorham	Elmer K. and Helen G.
18	Loraine Edith Carlson	Edward O. and Edith
18	Millicent Jeanne Whidden	William E. and Clara F.
22	Joseph Pincanzi	Michael and Josephine
22	Frederick Emil Wenger	Jean and Helen D.
23	Anna Augusta MacDonald	George V. and Anna A.
25	Isabelle Frances Cavanagh	Arthur J. and Isabelle E.
25	Elizabeth Donnelly	Robert and Catherine
27	Catherine Jackson Barclay	Nathaniel M. and Anna B.
29	Earl Robichau	Bernard P. and Anna M.
31	Hubert Francis Mc Gurn	John E. and Agnes I.
31	Illegitimate	

FEBRUARY

2	Myrtle Cecelia De Wolfe	James H. and Lottie M.
3	Albert Francis Mattie	Walter J. and Anna Z.
3	Francis Emanuel Berlucci	Frank and Irene
4	Myrvil Allan Nickerson	Myrvil K. and Hazel L.
5	Willard Francis Watkins	Albert W. and Clara

Date	Name	Parent's Names
5	Claire Moisan	Eugene L. and Mary V.
5	Samuel Joseph Scott, Jr.	Samuel J. and Grace E.
8	John Neal MacDonald	Lauchlin A. and Ellen M.
9	John Joseph Dupras, Jr.	John J. and Nellie M.
9	Pasquale Delmonico	Pasquale N. and Mary A.
10	Ernestine Frances Orcutt	Ernest G. and Gladys M.
12	Warren Ernest Brooks	Robert F. and Laura E.
13	Ethel Loraine Trapp	Frederick and Mary E.
13	Axel Alfert Nummi	Axel and Marie A.
14	Helen Irma Nummi	Axel and Marie A.
17	Patricia Joy Smith	Frederick G. and Elizabeth C.
17	Stillborn	
17	Stillborn	
22	Donald Guerney	Donald and Edith
24	Shirley Doris McLoud	Edward L. and Doris M.
24	Virginia Nelson	Eric N. and Helen V.
24	Warren Scott	Cyryl E. and Ruth C.
25	Robert Gerard Johnson	Frank W. and Mary J.
28	———— Prunier	Edward and Eva A.

MARCH

1	Norman Brasslow	Simon and Ida F.
2	Edward Joseph Hennebury	Edward J. and Katherine M.
2	Francis Joseph O'Rourke	Frank M. and Catherine A.
4	Robert Richard Fredette	Norbert A. and Ella E.
5	Joseph Lynch	Louis F. and Agnes W.
5	Robert Boudro Bowie	John F. and Annie J.
6	Lillian Wheaton Long	Louis J. W. and Wilhelmina N.
8	Edward Pechtimaljian	Milton and Varsen
9	Cora Ellen Van Dusen	Harold E. and Leola B.
9	James Robert Warner	Archibald and Edna
11	John Ireland	William and Elizabeth
14	Mary Elizabeth Gorman	John H. and Lillian A.
14	Jacqueline Bates	Fred M. and Esther I.
17	Joseph Warren Dwyer	Edward M. and Julia E.
19	Ethel May Harraden	Edward S. and Ethel E.
19	Elizabeth Magaldi	Joseph M. and Elizabeth A.
21	William Richard Cutter	Ernest and Virginia C.
23	Stillborn	
24	Glenn Philip Monaghan	Hugh H. and Olive L.

Date	Name	Parent's Names
24	Russell Edward Chapman, Jr.	Russell and Ruth E.
24	Joseph George Trott	Joseph W. and Alice I.
25	Irma Phylis Nason	Philip E. and Irma E.
26	Beatric Schwartz	Israel and Eva D.
27	Herbert Nathaniel Linscott, Jr.	Herbert N. and Gladys P.
27	Elizabeth Lorraine Cope	Phillip H. and Alice G.
28	Hugh R. B. Carmichael	Marshall W. and Marion S.
28	Rita Alberta Dahler	William E. and Dorothy C.
28	——— Rand	George and Eleanor F.
29	Walter Allen Marden	Allen H. and Doris L.
29	Marion Constantina Venuto	Michael and Mary I.
29	Lucy Sala	Ralph and Flavia
29	Alfred Marasca	Alfred and Helen R.

APRIL

1	Reed Miller Carter	Raymond A. and Mary M.
2	Pearl Bernardine Craig	George S. and Myrle L.
3	Stillborn	
5	Priscilla Barbara Fiorini	Rocco and Mary
8	Walter E. Taylor	Walter E. and Anna J.
9	Warren Frederick Gerstell	Warren E. and Ethel M.
9	Donald Earl Linsay	Walter and Mary E.
14	Carrol Finnegan	Thomas F. and Flora L.
16	Martha Josephine Dwinell	James H. and Thyra J.
18	Mary Brady	John J. and Mary C.
19	Robert Parker Layton	Aubrey N and Melissa P.
20	Dominic Pantano	Frank and Giacana
21	Anna Jacqueline Ford	Raymond F. and Alice B.
22	Otto Emil Peterson, Jr.	Otto E. and Norma F.
23	John Barrett	Joseph P. and Ellen G.
24	Warren Harvey Elliott	Harry W. and Ethel N.
24	Marilyn Venita Smith	Samuel A. and Ellen T.
24	William Andrew Mitchell	William A. and Constance E.
25	Mary Margaret Curren	Michael J. and Mary
26	Constance Louise Fryer	Nathaniel E. and Helen L.
27	Frankie Messina	Antonio and Rosa
29	Arnold Jackson Soule	Elbert J. and Velma M.

MAY

Date	Name	Parent's Names
1	Virginia Hefferna n	John and Mary
2	James Frazier	Peter and Annie
4	Francis William Kildow	George W. and Lucy
5	Patricia Eileen Darrow	Harold F. and Eileen B.
7	Jeanne Margery Muirhead	Robert B. and Margery J.
8	Charles Seldon Woodbury	Everett S. and Jennie E.
11	Anna Teresa McSherry	Michael and Mary A.
11	Virginia June Proctor	Cecil S. and Virginia F.
11	Robert Woodman Parker	William H. and Edith H.
12	Eileen May Finnegan	Edward F. and Mary E.
13	William Arthur Horton	Arthur B. and Ruth
13	Rita Marie Lisano	Frank J. and Mary A.
13	Donald Milton Reed	Ernest M. and Mary
14	Yolando Barrasso	Antonio B. and Rose
16	Pauline Barbara Perrault	Lawrence J. and Isabelle C.
18	Wesley Thomas Hall	George W. and Mary R.
18	Stillborn	
18	——— Sanders	Charles and Flora
19	James Christie Maxwell	John F. and Marie
20	Dorothy Eleanor Templeman	David and Mary A.
20	June Dorn	John and Ruth
21	Charles Robert Thomas Koffinke	Charles H. and Lucy A.
21	Muriel Ann Mischler	Francis J. and Emily
21	June Miriam Little	James R. and Miriam
22	Robert Mullaney	Thomas and Bertha
22	——— Ozzan	George and Frances
23	John Burton Took	John H. and Edith A.
23	Marvel Peddle Sheppard	Charles P. and Grace
23	Marvel Linwood Allison	David H. and Mary L.
24	Charles Peddle Sheppard	Charles P. and Grace
25	Theodore Robert Boettcher	Alfred W. and Theresa M.
28	——— Deberidinos	Carlo and Jennie
31	Frederick William Driver, Jr.	Frederick W. and Naomi R.

JUNE

2	Malcolm Hersey Shaw	Harold C. and Dorothy
4	June Edith Barrs	George W. and Agnes N.

Date	Name	Parent's Names
5	Stillborn	
5	William Kenneth Pollock	James and Grace
6	Paul Kenneth Finch	Walter W. and Mary D.
6	Robert Joseph Reardon	Timothy J. and Katherine A.
10	Jane Cahill	John H. and Olive M.
12	————— Norris	Lowell and Helen
12	John Thomas Hamel	Wilfred A. and Mary W.
13	Dorothy Quincy Adams	Roscoe and Lilly
13	Robert Bradford Hill	Mervin B. and Miriam L.
14	Melvin Richard Meehan	Simon L. and Mary B.
14	Edmund Robert Bregoli	Attilio and Ida
15	Mabel Louis Holmberg	George P. and Ruth D.
16	Paul Hugh Dillon	James P. and Ellen
20	Dorothy Claire Hollis	William A. and Elizabeth E.
20	Albert Everett Spencer, Jr.	Albert E. and Olive T.
20	Parker Thomas Spencer	Albert E. and Olive T.
21	Lindsay Paul Ellms	Lindsay and Florence O.
22	William R. Cannavin	Joseph P. and Margaret F.
25	Theresa Marie Crispo	Robert M. and Beatrice V.
25	William H. Flaherty	William H. and Della
28	Marion Sectchell Cherry	Alan G. and Blanche A.
30	Willard Sherman Simonds	Willard T. and Viola E.

JULY

2	Elizabeth Tricomi	Joseph and Grace
2	Virginia Hunt	Arthur W. and Margaret E.
2	Robert Harrington Reardon	John J. and Ruth E.
3	Francis Leo Le Vangie	Francis and Mary J.
5	Catherine Agnes Harkins	John F. and Jennie C.
5	Raymond Francis Clooney	William C. and Marion A.
11	Illegitimate	
12	Ida May Mahood	Cecil and Olga
14	————— Bessett	Eugene and Mary E.
15	Stillborn	
18	Norman Edward Sharon, Jr.	Norman E. and Irma F.
23	Jane Wilson	Frank B. and Helen M.
23	Bertha Elizabeth Roos	Phillip G. and Marie V.
23	Janice Beulah Norris	Harold E. and Janice B.
24	————— Nelson	Anton and Mary R.
26	Adelbert Roy Clark	Roy S. and Evelyn T.

Date	Name	Parent's Names
29	Mary Frances Ferranti	Biaggio and Vincenza
30	Selman Helen Brown	John and Alice H.
30	Eleanor Lorraine Magnuson	Roy W. and Eleanor T.

AUGUST

3	Earle Everton Sabeau	Jason B. and Dorothy B.
6	Ruth Pillsbury	William R. and Marjorie
10	Victor Hugh Heurlin, Jr.	Victor H. and Marion F.
11	Marilyn Hadden Davidson	Robert G. and Cora
14	Clare Elizabeth Cote	Wilfred N. and Josephine B.
15	Richard Alfred Frazier	Joseph and Emma
15	Constance Smith	Everett M. and Dorothy E.
15	Elmer Robert MacPherson	Kenneth N. and Thelma
16	Florence Gourley	Arthur G. and Florence E.
20	Henry Winfred Grady, Jr.	Henry W. and Mabel
20	Frank Edwin Sines, Jr.	Frank E. and Jennie E.
21	Marilyn Forrest	William J. and Grace E.
22	Florence Mary Picardi	George W. and Emily M.
23	Illegitimate	
23	Justin Hartley White	Hartley E. and Marcia N.
23	Ruth Alice Jackson	Albert W. and Isabella
24	Myrtle Leona Drysdale	Leo N. and Laura G.
25	Frances Greenwood Nott	Warren P. and Mabel M.
26	William Charles Brown	William D. and Dorothy I.
29	June Nissen	Fridtjof N. and Ethel
30	Evelyn Constance Stack	Timothy W. and Angelina S.
31	Maureen McLaughlin	Ernest and E'len T.
31	Neil MacLeod	Alexander M. and Alice J.

SEPTEMBER

2	Nancy Virbinia Guiliano	Basil and Angelina
2	Margaret Alice Stockdale	Joseph H. and Alice
4	John Michael Blanchard	John J. and Mary
4	Barbara Beatrice Lopans	Roy C. and Beatrice P.
5	Everett Alton Buker, Jr.	Everett A. and Mary M.
5	Arthur William Kitts	Karl R. and Doris L.
6	Walter Stephen Creswell	Alpheus C. and Marian
6	Virginia Watson Clark	Forrest S. and Gwendolyn W.
7	Robert Herman Belyea	Mansfield A. and Elva S.

Date	Name	Parent's Names
9	John William Stitt	George A. and Marion M.
9	Elizabeth Ann Morrisson	Walter E. and Melissa
10	Dorothy Pauline Kerr	Arthur P. and Hester P.
12	George Henry DeYoung, Jr.	George H. and Hazel F.
12	Edward Thomas Andrews	Percy H. and Mary C.
12	Frances Halloran	James F. and Anna P.
13	Valentine Ronaldi	John and Angelina
16	Russel Herman Barter	Russel H. and Helen P.
18	———— Bourget	Sylver and Julia M.
20	Stillborn	
21	Richard Goggin	James A. and Isabel C.
22	Antonette Magazu	Frank J. and Alvira
27	Samuel Le Roy Frey, Jr.	Samuel L. and Agnes S.
27	James Henry Driscoll	Cornelius H. and Marion B.
28	William Joseph Dignan	James H. and Helen M.
29	Robert Joseph Barrett	John F. and Helen E.

OCTOBER

2	Roberta Blois Fraser	Robert A. and Mildred D.
4	Leo Thomas Fillis	Leo J. and Margaret
4	Harold King Porter, Jr.	Harold K. and Dorothy P.
5	Catherine Altobelli	Joseph and Caroline R.
5	Ruth Wilma Cobbs	George W. and Beatrice B.
6	Doris Christine O'Neill	George H. and Jennie E.
6	Paul Frank Averd	Albert N. and Armandine A.
6	Grace Angelina Iameli	Bernard and Mary E.
7	Sydney Thayer Farrar	Lester W. and Mary E.
9	———— Mann	Charles L. and Mary R.
9	———— Mann	Charles L. and Mary R.
10	Mary Alma Donahue	Thomas F. and Mary A.
12	Stuart Ellsworth Raymond	Lloyd F. and Edith U.
14	Myrtle Marie Stevenson	Charles E. and Hazel M.
14	Judith Elizabeth Morton	Andrew and Ragnhild I.
15	Dorothy Smith	Bernard H. and Lillian E.
17	Norman Clifford Pray	Roger E. and Helen G.
19	Joseph Brady Cronin	Patrick L. and Elizabeth M. J.
20	Elizabeth Ann Griffin	Dennis J. and Katherine L.
21	Gene Draghetta	Ernesto and Borghatti E.
21	Evelyn May Wordford	Arthur W. and Stella M.
23	Eleanor Olga Johnson	George E. and Florence M.

Date	Name	Parent's Names
23	Marilyn Elaine Close	John F. and Lola W.
24	Nancy Galvin Baker	Guy L. and Ruth G.
24	Doris Anita Dugmore	Vincent and Ada H.
25	Donald Hastings Newton	Earle M. and Katherin H.
26	William Elwood Scollard	Clinton J. and Mary E.
27	Burton Raymond Brown	George H. and Olga
27	Thomas Campbell McGonnigal, Jr.	Thomas C. and Marion E.
27	Arthur Herbert Sandwen	Arthur B. and Alice J.
28	Lucy Thersea Healey	William J. and Catherine J.
29	Leo Howard Levangie	William S. and Margaret L.
30	Harold Hayward	Douglas and Virginia
30	Henry Francis Bates	Everett E. and Clara E.

NOVEMBER

2	Marjorie Louise Crossman	Samuel and Ruth A.
5	Elizabeth Inez Wade	John M. and Marion
6	Ruth Frances Basher	Maurice F. and Mray E.
6	Katherine Levangie	Leo W. and Alice M.
6	James Richard Behan	Eugene H. and Gladys M.
11	William Walner Taylor	Howard J. and Minerva J.
13	Walter Winslow Hollis	Ralph C. and Ella M.
17	Russell Earle Wayland	Henry F. and Mildred R.
18	———— James	Frank B. and Eva
18	———— Whiting	Earle M. and Madeline
19	Joseph Leo	Angelo and Matzia
20	Stillborn	
23	Jennie De Francesco	Michael and Rose
23	———— Post	Ernest and Anna
25	Rachael Veccione	James A. and Angeline D.
26	Robert Lewis Thompson	George W. and Louise C.
26	Richard Sherlock Key	Reginald H. and Marguerite L.
26	Donald Leon Plummer	Waldo E. and Edna C.
27	Stillborn	
27	Stillborn	
28	Richard Bates	Arthur S. and Gertrude E.
28	Carol Scribner Bradley	Charles and Lucia
30	Beverly Alton Jordan	Malcolm L. and Lillian M.

DECEMBER

Date	Name	Parent's Names
1	Illegitimate	
2	Eileen Janssen	Ernest J. and Susan M.
4	Stillborn	
5	Ruth Bradshaw Hogg Palmer	Henry F. and Jennie A.
6	Stillborn	
7	Ruth Edith Robbins	Franklin A. and Mabel S.
7	Earle Alfred Thompson, Jr.	Earle A. and Victoria I.
13	Cornelius Desmond	Walter D. and Mary L.
15	Claire Pearl Skoler	Samuel and Reba
15	Richard Murray Dillon	Maurice J. and Helen F.
16	Ann Collier Bicknell	George H. and Beatrice C.
21	Ernest Francis Gammons	William D. and Flora M.
23	John Jeremiah Pitts	Jeremiah M. and Mary C.
24	Arian Cranton Fowler	Earl C. and Mary M.
25	Dominic Natalie Caruso	Leonardo and Columba
26	Russel Thomas Erickson	Arthur and Mary E.
27	Robert James Daiute	Carroll F. and Dorothy
26	————Maloney —	Stephen A. and Oral
28	Irine Katherine Fontoni	James and Gladys
31	Ruth Ainsley Raymond	Harry P. and eParl I.

Marriages in 1926

JANUARY

Date	Name	Residence
1	Joseph J. Sheehan Clara (Buker) Ross	Cambridge Braintree
5	Gordon P. Kearney Esther M. Smith	Braintree Quincy
6	Matthew J. O'Rourke Margie G. Thomas	Braintree Holbrook
9	Martin J. Sjolín Annie Julia Aberg	Braintree Braintree
12	Morris Janofsky Florence Cohen	Revere Braintree
16	James S. Sandison Esther W. Harraden	Quincy Braintree

FEBRUARY

7	Ernest E. J. Knaus Florence M. Wright	Braintree Braintree
12	Robert Chadduck, Jr. Frances Mansfield	Braintree Lowell
13	Dennis F. McNeil Catherine Hennebury	Quincy Braintree
13	Emilo A. Merzi Sarah S. Frazier	Quincy Braintree
13	Edward A. Hunt Catherine R. Maxwell	Braintree Braintree
14	Alfred B. Wilkes Angelina Fontoni	Braintree Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
17	John T. Finnegan	Braintree
	Edith F. King	Braintree
18	Lowell A. Norris	Braintree
	Helen Curtis	Quincy

MARCH

1	Frank E. Sines	Quincy
	Jennie E. Pratt	Braintree
1	Laird S. Monahan	Braintree
	Berla B. Smith	Boston
7	Edwin J. Allen	Braintree
	Elma L. Sellberg	Quincy
8	Cyrus F. Cushing	Braintree
	Addie L. Rhoades	Cambridge
15	William P. Allen	Braintree
	Beatrice H. Moore	Somerville
29	George E. Johnson	Braintree
	Florence M. Steele	Braintree

APRIL

4	James H. Dee	Braintree
	Mabel E. Mann	Randolph
5	John B. Phillips	Braintree
	Margaret (McKean) Witherow	Braintree
10	Franklin Albert Robbins	Quincy
	Mabel H. Morse	Braintree
10	Everett A. Buker	Braintree
	Mary M. McNeil	Neponset
11	Carlo Rizzi	Watertown
	Nina Bonina	Braintree
25	James J. McInerney	Braintree
	Lottie M. Wilkinson	Braintree
25	James Hennebury	Braintree
	Winnifred V. Peevor	Neponset

Date	Name	Residence
26	Ray A. Geddes	Braintree
	Agnes C. Nelson	Braintree
26	Edward L. Whitehouse	Braintree
	Signe E. Nelson	Braintree

MAY

1	Bror V. Kjellander	Braintree
	Elvira M. Karlberg	Quincy
11	Norman E. Smith	Braintree
	Elizabeth M. Hatch	Marshfield
11	Dennis J. Griffin	Braintree
	Katherine L. Watt	Braintree
15	Geralamo Glioglio	Quincy
	Rosa Perotti	Braintree
15	George F. Lawley, 2nd	Braintree
	Emily Erickson	Braintree
22	James F. Gaynor	Randolph
	Mary L. McInerney	Braintree
22	Alphonse Pezzella	Braintree
	Frances D'Filippis	Quincy Adams
28	Samuel M. Lennon	Braintree
	Carolyn B. Whitten	Quincy
29	Andrew P. Brow	Braintree
	Alice J. Delorey	Braintree

JUNE

2	Allen P. Stearns	Wollaston
	Carol Witherell	Braintree
4	Bert W. French	Weymouth
	Elizabeth H. McGlone	Braintree
5	John C. Hubbard	Braintree
	Dorothy L. White	Weymouth
5	George H. Bostock	Braintree
	Helen Maloney	Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
9	Aage K. Hansen Evelyn Morey	Braintree Stoughton
9	John H. Leary Barbara L. White	Weymouth Braintree
12	John J. O'Callaghan Belinda M. McDermott	Braintree Cambridge
12	Joseph Derringer Helen E. Reardon	Quincy Braintree
13	Malcolm McInnis May H. McCarthy	Braintree Boston
14	Harold R. Walsh Dorothy M. Wellman	Braintree Somerville
17	Auguste J. Hamel Josephine I. McCarthy	Quincy Braintree
19	George D. Hall Edith M. Folsom	Gardner, Maine Braintree
20	Oscar W. R. Ericson Rebecca McNally	Boston Milton
20	Clifford W. Smith Mildred J. Hull	Roxbury Braintree
21	Harry L. Vickers Hazel Lewis	Chelsea Braintree
22	William P. Powers Priscilla Helm	Braintree Braintree
22	John Brown Alice H. Leth	Quincy Braintree
23	William B. Sullivan, Jr. Anne E. Gallivan	Danvers Braintree
24	Carl Bjorkman Bertha Paetow	Braintree Braintree
26	Rudolph W. Kalns Daisy M. Kleinberg	Braintree Jamaica Plain

Date	Name	Residence
26	Zacharias Norvalls Mildred D. Nelson	Allston Braintree
27	James D. McCarthy Anna E. Klaus	Braintree Braintree
27	Gabriel De Stefanis Isabel Ialenti	Braintree Braintree
30	Leo J. McMaster Helen A. Cuff	Braintree Braintree
30	Frederick H. Hirschert Mary B. Heath	Lakewood, Ohio Albany, N. Y.
30	Raymond D. Jordan Mary G. Morrison	Braintree Braintree

JULY

3	James Laurie Josephine Smith	Braintree Braintree
3	Gordon B. Macrae Helen D. Bens	Braintree Quincy
4	Vincent Carlise Rosa Recupero	Quincy Adams Braintree
4	Benjamin Corvi Thersa Giannini	Malden Braintree
4	John W. Thomas Jeanne S. Hill	Braintree Quincy
4	Timothy J. Linehan Catherine A. McMorrow	Braintree Dorchester
5	Chester L. Boyle Lucia J. Smith	Weymouth Braintree
5	Whitney F. O'Neil Marie J. Favart	Braintree Braintree
6	James E. S. Leslie Ella H. Henley	Everett Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
16	Thomas F. Hollinshead Mary E. Bertrand	Braintree Quincy
17	Martin P. Bjorkman Kathleen A. Wain	Braintree Winthrop
28	Donald W. Dickie Mae O. Smith	Arlington Braintree
30	Leslie L. Newell Goldie E. (Jones) Bates	Braintree Braintree

AUGUST

4	Harry S. F. Coates Gladys H. Stoddard	Braintree Braintree
5	Philip B. Jordan Minnie L. (Hedderick) Boshell	Quincy Quincy
6	Donald McFarlane Minnie M. Freberg	Braintree Quincy
7	John E. Pyne Ruth E. Hewitt	Braintree S. Boston
11	James W. Mara Lillian A. Quinn	Braintree Braintree
18	James H. Richardson Florence H. Perry	Stamford, Conn. Braintree
18	Harrison J. Clement Dorothy R. Hadley	Braintree Braintree
20	John Bridge Ivy H. Vinton	Cambridge Braintree
21	Herman C. Sherburne Evelyn Murray	Braintree Braintree
23	Salvatore Mantia Mary Klaus	Braintree Braintree
23	C. Earle Bestick E. Muriel Auger	Braintree Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
28	Francis B. Hawkes Marion E. (Lowell) Finelli	Braintree Wilmington
29	Harold J. Levangie Margaret J. Schottler	Braintree Jamaica Plain
29	Eugene P. Liscomb Gizella E. (Illes) Liscomb	Braintree Braintree
31	Henry P. M. Alison Alithea E. Parker	Braintree Weymouth

SEPTEMBER

1	William M. Gustin Ethel A. Jocelyn	Braintree Braintree
4	Matti R. Kaukola Thelma Erickson	Braintree Quincy
4	Carl A. Jernberg Tresa Thayer	Braintree Braintree
5	Joseph Canelli Victoria Bagonzi	Braintree Braintree
6	Walter H. Loud Nina L. Wilde	Holbrook Holbrook
6	Lloyd S. Orcutt Flossie L. Foster	Holbrook Holbrook
7	John E. Maloney Milderd Erwin	Braintree Braintree
9	Walter R. Pierce Catherin Mann	Braintree Whitman
11	Russell B. Rae Gertrude F. Hale	Jamaica Plain Braintree
11	Wesley H. De Coste Helen F. Slattery	Braintree Randolph
11	Aubrey E. Hayden Bessie M. Butler	Braintree Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
14	Roger Stone Miller Evelyn Mac Calmon	Kansas Ciey Braintree
16	Francis C. Frazier Vera M. Ward	Braintree Braintree
18	Russell White Dorothy L. Gould	Holbrook Braintree
18	Alexander Mac Donald Daisy M. Caldwell	Braintree Weymouth
18	Walter F. Lewis Ruth V. Harris	Braintree Holbrook
22	Joseph N. Kaukola Rachel M. Vinton	Braintree Braintree
25	Elmer A. Anderson Grace M. Haviland	Braintree Braintree

OCTOBER

2	Franklin P. Buhl Bessie H. (Ewell) Taylor	Braintree Braintree
9	Eugene B. O'Neil Francisania Walsh	Wollaston Braintree
9	William W. McFeters Mildred M. Spinney	Weymouth Braintree
10	Charles Phillips Sophia Frazier	Braintree Braintree
11	Franklin P. Whitten Priscilla D. Mayo	Braintree N. Scituate
12	Ellis M. Litchfield Ethel L. Smith	Braintree Barnard, Vt.
12	Fred E. Allen Evelyn H. Brailey	Boston Braintree
17	Robert J. Reardon Rita M. D'Arigo	Braintree Harwichport

Date	Name	Residence
17	Cecil M. Smith	Braintree
	Grace M. (Bicknell) Pratt	Weymouth
20	Joseph Cistaio	Arlington
	Alice M. McNulty	Braintree
24	Freddy B. Pedersen	Braintree
	Grace M. Toye	Braintree
27	Joseph D. Ripley	Quincy
	Gladys J. (Demeritt) Lincoln	Braintree
28	Ralph H. Doering	Braintree
	Marion N. Clark	Braintree
30	Frederick R. Maitland	Cohasset
	Doris A. Tobey	Braintree
30	Dudley P. Howland	Braintree
	Pearl B. Hanson	Weymouth
30	William H. Perrault	Brookville
	Hazel G. Sprague	Braintree

NOVEMBER

7	Salvatore W. Napolitano	Braintree
	Lucy A. Richardi	Braintree
13	Henry W. Boutilier	Quincy
	Violet Smith	Braintree
15	Carl Gustave Nelson	Braintree
	Elizabeth M. Conroy	Quincy
24	Ferdinando J. Draper	Braintree
	Abbie E. (Batchelder) Mason	Brockton
25	Michael A. Rocci	Somerville
	Elizabeth Cioppa	Braintree
28	John W. A. Erikson	Braintree
	Helen R. Leary	Dorchester
28	Rocco Richardi	Braintree
	Tina Di Fioriri	Braintree

Date	Name	Residence
29	Julius P. Jacobi Gertrude Anderson	Braintree Braintree
DECEMBER		
1	Richard T. Lindquist Alice I. Steele	Quincy Braintree
8	Edson H. Peck Viola P. Wynot	Braintree Braintree
6	Peter F. Sullivan Mary E. Watt	Weymouth Braintree
10	George Weeks Marion Bonney	Braintree Rockland
18	Ernest C. Drouet Lillian (Joy) Murray	Somerville Braintree
18	Robert H. Gillan Mary Collins	Braintree Braintree
21	Arndt Magnus Koski Emilia (Kourinen) Leppanen	Quincy Quincy
25	Clarence E. Southworth Elizabeth (Gilbert) Downes	Braintree Braintree
30	John Joseph Ryan Agnes V. Larkin	Weymouth Braintree

Whole number of marriages 143.

Residences of males—Braintree 92; other places in Massachusetts 46; Gardner, Maine; Lakewood, Ohio; Stamford, Conn; Kansas City, Mo.; Barnard, Vt., 1 each.

Residences of females—Braintree 96; other places in Massachusetts 46; Albany, N. Y., 1.

Birthplace of males—Braintree 21; other places in Massachusetts 67; British Provinces, 9; Italy, 8; Scotland, 7; Sweden.

Ohio, Vermont, 3 each; Russia, Ireland, Denmark, Maine, California, New York, 2 each; South Africa, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Norway, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Missouri, England, Finland, 1 each.

Birthplace of females—Braintree, 29; other places in Massachusetts 78; British Provinces, 5; Scotland, Italy, Maine, Connecticut, Vermont, 3 each; Sweden, England, Germany, Rhode Island, New York, 2 each; Ireland, New Jersey, Hungary, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, Finland, 1 each.

Marriages solemnized in Braintree, 62; Weymouth, 21; Quincy, 16; Randolph, 2; Holbrook, 2; other places in Massachusetts, 34; Nashua, N. H., 3; Hampton Falls, N. H., 1; Hartford, Conn., 1; Auburn, Maine, 1.

Death in 1926

JANUARY

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
1	Samuel F. Hawes	Nova Scotia	75---10---13
4	Clara J. Wentworth	Rochester N. H.	88--- 4---11
4	George F. Sanborn	Charlestown	72---11--- 3
6	James A. Welsh	Milton	45---10---22
7	Eliza J. Johnson	Chelsea	81--- 2--- 3
8	Frank L. Allen	Boston	62--- 4--- 8
8	Stillborn		0--- 0--- 0
10	Clark E. Drew	E. Weymouth	53--- 0---24
12	Albion H. Howe	Methuen	83---11---12
18	Ella J. Roby	Nashua, N. H.	71--- 2---16
23	Mary Ryan	Quebec, Can.	84--- 0--- 0
24	Otto Carlstrom	Sweden	36--- 5---12
24	Anna Augusta MacDonald	Braintree	22 hours
24	Ellen Mc Kenna	Boston	5--- 0---19
29	Daniel Mc Neil	Nova Scotia	63---11---19
31	Peter Coleman	Ireland	52--- 1--- 6

FEBRUARY

2	Jennie I. Loring	Weymouth	65--- 7---24
6	Amanda L. Ripley	Mass.	66--- 8---28
7	Artemas L. Morrow	P. E. I.	83--- 2--- 4
9	John J. McAuliffe	Quincy	43--- 8--- 0
10	Samuel E. Whitmarsh	Weymouth	77--- 4--- 0
10	Russell A. Michel	Quincy	3---10--- 6
12	Philip J. Krohn	Utica, N. Y.	53---11--- 0
13	Fannie E. Goodhue	N. Andover	44--- 4---30
14	Chester R. Steele	Gloucester	40--- 9--- 7
15	Sarah D. Ford	Marshfield	81--- 9---28
16	Inez D. Merrill	Unknown	81--- 4---12
17	Sarah W. Lane	Sanbornton,	87--- 0--- 4
17	Stillborn		0--- 0--- 0
18	George R. Allen	Williamsp't, Pa.	52--- 9---17

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
21	Elma Kivi	Norwood	15— 4—10
22	Evelyn Doane	Yarm'th, N. S.	75— 9—29
22	Ada T. Gile	Milford	69— 5— 5
23	Frederick T. Mehaffen	Boston	39— 0— 0
25	Susan A. Lull	Ports'th, N. H.	69— 0—23
25	Elizabeth H. Weston	Nova Scotia	73— 4—12
26	Nellie M. Davenport	New Hampshire	67— 8—16
26	Matilda Streiferd	Sweden	80— 8— 9
28	Ernest Mattson	Bar Harbor,	20— 5— 8

MARCH

2	Margaret E. Mason	Nova Scotia	79— 1—29
6	Mary Russo	Italy	42—11— 7
8	Donald L. Johnson	Weymouth	0— 3— 4
9	Elizabeth Klay	Switzerland	78— 6—11
11	Wilfred Loffs	Quincy	17— 8—26
11	Alice K. Morrison	Glasgow, Scot.	65— 8— 8
23	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
23	Alice Bennett	Ireland	75—10—20
23	Mary Pellerein	Canada	64— 6—22
23	Mabel L. Marshall	Manch'r, N. H.	46— 0— 1
23	Charles E. Goodnow	Braintree	79— 9—19
25	Daniel W. Ball	Lunenburg, Vt.	52— 0— 0
27	Ralph E. De Forest	Randolph	31— 0—18
28	Mary R. Coburn	Nova Scotia	87— 7—21
28	Agnes M. Mitchell	Scotland	66— 7— 0
30	Lucius Crosby	Bristol, Conn.	72— 7—24
30	Nellie M. Harris	Webster	50—10—25

APRIL

1	George W. Reed	Lynn	88— 0—10
2	Elizabeth Stewart	Bath, Maine	81— 6—24
2	Elizabeth Maguinnis	St. John, N. B.	69— 5— 0
3	Thomas Niemi	Finland	53— 3— 1
3	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
4	Joseph A. Thibedeau	Nova Scotia	29— 7— 4
6	Isabel I. Wetherbee	Braintree	0— 3— 3
9	Harvey W. Davis	Bellows Falls	88— 5—21
10	Rosalie Roeder	Germany	84— 8—10
14	James W. Morris	Boston	43— 3—29
14	Andrew Delorey	Tracadie, N. S.	80— 0— 0

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
14	Abbie D. (Symonds) Pyne	Marblehead,	72— 6— 0
15	Ella O. Garfield	Brockton	53— 9—28
17	Forrest E. Whalin	Randolph	67— 6— 8
27	Daniel J. Mills	Nova Scotia	38— 5—28
27	Christopher C. Briars	London, Eng.	48— 1—22
30	Thomas Clinton	Nova Scotia	79— 2— 6

MAY

1	George Atkinson	Ireland	85— 0— 7
2	Sarah A. Mellen	Weymouth	66—10—29
3	Caroline T. Spear	Rockland, Me.	81— 0— 0
4	Caroline R. Howard	Chelmsford	84— 3—30
11	Nellie Gorman	Scotland	55—11—27
14	Peter A. Briggs	Weymouth	54— 0— 0
14	Adoniram J. Dyer	Braintree	82— 0—18
14	Martin Spera	Italy	67— 0— 0
14	James Conneil	Ireland	76— 4—23
18	———— Sanders	Braintree	1 hour
18	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
19	Emma T. (Allen) Cornish	Barre, Mass.	74— 3—13
20	Edward M. Peshtimaljian	Braintree	0— 2—12
21	Elizabeth A. Fitzpatrick	Roxbury	76— 4—19
24	John M. Knight	Westport, Me.	78— 0— 0
25	Ruth Kay	New Brunswick	76—11—29
26	Iolander Barrasso	Braintree	12 hours
27	Eleanor Caravaglio	Quincy	4— 2— 6

JUNE

3	Samuel V. Walters	England	41— 1—22
5	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
8	Sarah F. Lord	Salem	93— 3—15
9	William Benjamine	Braintree	74— 4— 8
13	John J. Doyle	Weston, Mass.	55—11—29
12	———— Norris	Quincy	7 hours, 10 minutes
17	Harry Sawler	Halifax, N. S.	23— 5— 0
21	Elizabeth J. Glover	Weymouth	71—11— 3
21	Eliza S. Paine	Sandwich	82— 8—21
29	Joseph H. Waters	Lowell	54— 1— 8
29	Catherine Flora Moorey	Nova Scotia	44—10—19
30	Joseph Cadora	Italy	49— 0— 0

JULY

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
1	Priscilla Mc Issac	P. E. I.	43— 9— 3
2	William C. Harding	Longmeadow	73— 0— 8
4	Wilbur F. Norris	Somerville	11—11—14
5	Millard F. Gardner	N. Kingston,	76— 1—21
5	Adelein A. Kopp	Roxbury	35— 0— 0
9	Barbara P. Demarest	Weymouth	1— 6—13
13	Frank Richardi	Braintree	1— 0—10
13	Annie F. Nichols	Taunton	45
15	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
15	Mary Gorman	Weymouth	0— 4— 1
16	Lester P. Our	Weymouth	46— 8—14
16	Judson Vail	St. John, N. H.	66— 0— 0
19	Gustave B. Bates	Boston	66—11—25
19	Joseph Renaldi	Braintree	4— 1—27
19	Andrew Haxton	Scotland	83— 8—18
21	Ina Donaldson	Scotland	55— 2— 7
26	Cyril E. Scott	P. E. I.	33— 6—24

AUGUST

1	Obed B. Cottle	New Bedford	54— 2—11
3	Joseph C. Van Doren	New Jersey	71— 1— 1
10	Margaret Donahue	Stoughton	27— 0—16
11	Lena Spiro	Albania	32— 4— 1
15	Abby C. Howes	Braintree	88— 8—23
16	Jennie C. Buker	Nova Scotia	60— 3—16
20	Annie E. Illingworth	Boston	53— 7— 1
21	Mary H. Bowden	Briffield, Ill.	54— 2— 8
26	Clara T. Rogers	Nova Scotia	25— 2—23
26	Edward O. Pierson	Plymouth	78— 6—15
30	Josephine Picanzo	Boston	24— 0— 1
31	Mary L. Loring	Weymouth	70—10—26
31	Paul Foley	Braintree	6— 7— 0

SEPTEMBER

1	Mary L. Bates	Quincy	88— 9—14
4	Isabelle W. Ricker	Peekskill, N. Y.	50— 3—29
6	Frank Plumba	Italy	73— 0— 0
7	William Reed	Braintree	60— 6—27
7	Julia W. Jenkins	W. Barnstable	59—10—18

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
8	Willard N. Stoddard	Marshfield	62— 8—11
13	Louis I. Porter	Braintree	79— 0— 0
14	Charles F. Jewell	Worcester	47— 7—26
16	Ellen Fernald	St. John, N. B.	68— 2—18
17	Olinda J. Anthony	Nova Scotia	77— 2—21
18	Harrison O. Glover	Quincy	41—11—14
19	Roberta Cheney	Somerville	40— 7—11
20	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
23	Rose Giovanini	Italy	50— 0—13
26	Martha C. Fuller	St. John, N. B.	60— 1—17
27	Henry O. Pratt	Braintree	87— 3— 5
27	Isabella L. Eaton	Worcester	60— 2—17
29	Lucy M. Southworth	Braintree	81—10— 5

OCTOBER

2	Fanny Di Mario	Braintree	12— 1—29
5	Ruth W. Cobbs	Braintree	3 hours
6	Emily E. Weatherbee	N. Easton	55— 0— 0
8	Thomas W. Ness	Scotland	61— 7— 0
8	Rachel E. Blanchard	Weymouth	80— 1—14
9	Elizabeth J. Starr	Ireland	75— 0— 0
9	———— Mann	Brockton	4 hrs. 30 min.
9	———— Mann	Brockton	4 hrs. 30 min.
11	Edith A. Wyman	Isleboro, Me.	66— 2—20
13	Mary A. Donahue	Braintree	0— 0— 3
14	George W. Young	Weymouth	62— 0— 0
17	John Joyce	Ireland	38— 5—28
21	Franklin Haskell	Marion	66— 7—24
21	Frances U. Eaton	Unknown	80— 0—23
23	Katherine Griffin	Hanover	21— 2—14
23	William Colombe	New York,	52— 0— 0
31	James George	Braintree	18— 6— 5
31	May L. Abbott	Maine	56— 5— 4

NOVEMBER

1	William Mc Guinness	Ireland	80— 0— 0
3	Michael Lombardo	Italy	20— 0— 0
4	Edward A. Fisher	Braintree	83— 4—20
5	Ethel Vaughn	Everett	27—10—21
6	Chester H. Bradford	Duxbury	82—11—16
6	George O. Stoddard	Newtonville	43— 6— 7

Date	Name	Birthplace	Age
9	John McGee	Scotland	79— 0— 0
9	Margaret J. Flynn	New York	52— 0— 0
9	Sarah E. Paul	Providence,	72— 5— 4
16	John D. Smith, Jr.	Quincy	20— 7—24
16	James A. Stevens	Braintree	69— 2— 2
16	Edward S. Wood	Winslow, Me.	90— 9—13
18	William D. Soule	Albany, N. Y.	66— 0— 0
19	Phoebe Wilson	Medford	10— 2—27
20	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
22	Nancy Tricomi	Italy	70— 0— 0
24	Agnes M. Ward	St John, N. B.	68— 9—17
24	Almira S. Littlefield	Plymouth	66— 3—22
26	Mary Hannon	Quincy	28— 1—19
27	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
27	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
27	Catherine F. Gogan	Ireland	63— 6—20
28	———— Bates	Boston	10 hours
30	Arthur L. Armstrong	Boston	67— 1—15
30	Annie J. Croucher	Abington	62— 6— 6

DECEMBER

2	Frank L. Spaulding	Belfast, Maine	64— 0— 0
2	Mary E. Foley	Norwood	17— 4—20
2	Fred M. Buzzell	Elworth, N. H.	68— 1— 0
4	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
6	Stillborn		0— 0— 0
10	David Kaufman	Russia	26— 9— 0
12	Marvin Greschestin	Unknown	80— 0— 0
14	Lydia D. Goodnow	Scituate	75—11— 1
15	Catherine Shallis	Ireland	33—10—15
16	Walter E. Rogers	Newburyport	62—10—23
21	Thomas Payne	Danielson,	0— 9— 0
22	Ruby Thompson	Braintree	38— 1—19
29	Annie E. Archibald	Cape Breton	70— 0—15
30	Mary E. Barton	Wayland	50— 2—25
31	Elizabeth T. Laing	Scotland	67— 5—25

Whole number of deaths 209

Males: 107; Females: 102.

Birthplace—Braintree, 36; other places in Massachusetts, 81; British Provinces, 27; Ireland, 9; Maine, 8; Scotland, 8; Italy, 7; New Hampshire, 7; New York, 5; Unknown, 3; Sweden, 2; Connecticut, 2; Vermont, 2; England, 2; Rhode Island, 2; Switzerland, Pennsylvania, Finland, Germany, New Jersey, Illinois, Albania, Russia, one each.

Birthplace of Fathers—Braintree, 8; other places in Massachusetts, 52; British Province, 31; Unknown, 19; Ireland, 17; Maine, 14; Italy, 13; New Hampshire, 7; England, 6; Scotland, 11; Vermont, 4; New York, 5; Sweden, 3; Finland, 3; Connecticut, 2; Russia, 2; Illinois, 2; Virginia, 2; Switzerland, Pennsylvania, Germany, Turkey, New Jersey, Albania, Rhode Island, Holland, Missouri, one each.

Birthplace of Mothers—Braintree, 9; other places in Massachusetts, 55; British Provinces, 31; Ireland, 19; Unknown, 23; Italy, 12; Maine, 11; Vermont, 7; New York, 6; New Hampshire, 4; Scotland, 10; Finland, 3; Rhode Island, 3; Sweden, 2; Connecticut, 2; Russia, 2; Switzerland, Pennsylvania, Turkey, Albania, Missouri, one each.

Diseases—Tuberculosis of Lungs (25 of these cases were non-residents) 32; Heart Disease, 31; Aterio Sclerosis, 20; Carcinoma, 15; Cerebral Hemorrhage, 13; Stillborn, 13; Broncho Pneumonia, 10; Lobar Pneumonia, 9; Nephritis, 7; Premature Birth, 7; Accident, 6; Auto Accident, 4; Peritonitis, 3; Scarlet Fever, 2; Urania, 2; Pernicious Anemia, 2; Suicide, 2; Pulmonary Congestion, 2; Cerebral Thrombosis, 2; Chirosis of Liver, 2; Tuberculosis of Lungs and Intestines, Sarcema, Measles, Asthma, Appoplexy, Meningitis, Appendicitis, Pulmonary Embollism, Epilepsy, Volvulus, Hypertrophy, of Prostrate, Erysipelas, Acute Choleciptitis, Diarrhea, Diabetes, Angina Pectoris, Tumor, Paralysis, Influenza, Hemorrhage of Lungs, Postpartum, Eclampsia, Hydro-Nephrons, Carbuncle, Acute Gastric Anthritis, Cancer, Gangrene, Abscess, Cardis Renal Disease, one each.

Ages—Stillborn, 13; under one year, 14; 1 to 2 years, 2; 3 to 4 years, 1; 4 to 5 years, 2; 5 to 10 years, 2; 10 to 15 years, 3; 15 to 20 years, 4; 20 to 25 years, 6; 25 to 30 years 6; 30 to 35 years, 4; 35 to 40 years, 6; 40 to 45 years, 9; 45 to 50 years, 9; 50 to 60 years, 24; 60 to 70 years, 37; 70 to 80 years, 34; 80 to 90 years, 31; over 90 years, 2.

Tax Collector's Report

1924.

Outstanding January 1, 1926		\$188.95
Collections January 1, 1926		
to Dec. 31, 1926.....	\$49.38	
Abatements January 1, 1926		
to Dec. 31, 1926.....	139.57	
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$188.95	\$188.95

1925

Outstanding January 1, 1926		\$137,255.19
Collections January 1, 1926		
to Dec. 31, 1926.....	\$134,093.44	
Abatements January 1, 1926		
to Dec. 31, 1926	1,822.37	
Property taken by Town at		
Tax Sale	285.12	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926		
(Personal)	1054.26	
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$137,255.19	\$137,255.19

1926

Commitment of Taxes (Real		
and Personal)		\$605,991.54
Commitment of Poll Taxes		7,228.00
Commitment of Moth Taxes		1,042.25
Supplementary Commitment		
of Taxes (Real)		1,050.42

Supplementary Commitment of Taxes (Poll)		152.00
Collections to Dec. 31, 1926	\$421,143.99	
Abatements to Dec. 31, 1926	3,872.51	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926, (Real Estate and Per- sonal)	190,357.71	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926, (Poll)	90.00	
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$615,464.21	\$615,464.21
Interest on 1924 taxes \$	4.66	
Interest on 1925 taxes	5,275.08	
Interest on 1926 taxes	354.32	
	<hr/>	
	\$ 5,634.06	

Respectfully submitted,

OTIS B. OAKMAN,

Collector of Taxes.

We have examined the above statements and find that they agree with the Assessors' Commitments of taxes, that the above amounts have been turned in to the Town Treasurer, and are a correct reproduction of the Collector's books. We have also compared the outstanding amounts with the Collector's commitment books and find them correct.

RALPH W. ARNOLD

PAUL MONAGHAN

HERBERT W. CURTIS

Auditors for 1926.

January 12, 1927.

Treasurer's Report

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

In account with Town of Braintree.

DR.

Balance, January 1, 1926.

General Town Account bal.	\$ 78,694.04
Water Department bal.	28,982.21
Electric Light Dept. bal.	2,059.49
School Fund Income bal.	771.78
Penniman Trust Income bal.	39.03
C. E. French Trust Income bal.	86.43
Electric Depreciation Fund	10,317.64

\$120,950.62

Otis B. Oakman, Collector of Taxes.

	Tax	Interest
1924	\$ 49.38	\$ 4.66
1925	134,093.44	5,275.08
1926	421,143.99	354.32

\$560,920.87

Loans in anticipation of
Revenue

\$240,000.00

High School Loan	
(principal)	\$335,800.00
(premium)	2,048.38

\$337,848.38

Penniman School Addition

Loan

(principal)\$96,000.00

(premium)412.80

\$ 96,412.80

Water Department Extension Loan

(principal)\$50,000.00

(premium)215.00

\$ 50,215.00All other sources, including
dividends on Town funds,
given in detail in Account-
ant's report.

\$469,725.70

\$1,876,073.37

CR.

Paid by orders of Selectmen

\$1,574,066.41

Cash book balance

Dec. 31, 1926

302,006.96

\$1,876,073.37The above cash book balance
is made up as follows:

General Town Account bal.

(including balance of
High School and Penni-
man School loans)

249,320.48

Water Department bal.

(including balance of ex-
tension Loan)

23,578.35

Electric Light Department balance	5,815.00
School Fund Income bal.	1,039.11
C. E. French Trust Income balance	70.35
Penniman Trust Income bal.	29.66
Electric Depreciation Fund	22,154.01
	<hr/>
	302,006.65

Paid During the Year on Town Notes and Bonds:

Town Hall bonds	\$ 2,000.00
Hollis School bonds	3,000.00
High School Site bonds	1,000.00
Temporary Loans	240,000.00
E. Braintree School bonds	4,000.00
Noah Torrey School Addition Loan	11,500.00
Electric Light Construction Loan	10,000.00
Tuberculosis Hospital bonds	1,000.00
	<hr/>
	\$272,500.00

Interest Paid During the Year on Notes and Bonds

Temporary loans (discounted) average rate 3.63 1-3 per cent	\$ 5,397.03
High School Site	180.00
Town Hall	520.00
Hollis School	660.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	450.00
Thomas A. Watson School	2,720.00
Electric Light Loan	1,400.00
Noah Torrey School Addition	6,438.75
	<hr/>
	\$ 17,765.78

Paid to Commonwealth of Massachusetts

State Tax	\$ 30,240.00
Charles River Basin Loan Fund	
Interest	602.92
Maintenance	1,033.50
Serial Bonds	52.01
Metropolitan Parks Sinking Fund	349.67
Interest	1,773.22
Cost of Maintenance	5,814.39
Serial Bonds	66.32
Sinking Fund, Series 2	83.19
Interest	696.91
Cost of Maintenance	3,003.47
Serial Bonds	426.72
Metropolitan Parks Loan Fund, Nan-	
tasket Maintenance	427.26
Wellington Bridge, maintenance	39.06
Repairs, State Highways	6,141.00
Municipal Lighting Plant	42.56
Metropolitan Planning Division	266.04
Western Ave. and Arsenal St. Bridge	150.26
Western Ave. Bridge	241.65
Massachusetts Ave. Bridge	2,098.35
1922 Trust Co. Tax	8.85
	\$ 53,557.35

THE NATHANIEL H. HUNT TRUST

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer

Principal:

One Boston Elevated R. R. bond, \$1,000 4% ..	\$1,000.00
Three B. & M. R. R. bonds, Series T-5%	3,000.00
One New England R. R. bond, \$1,000, 4% ..	1,000.00

Two C. B. & Q. R. R. bonds, 4%	2,000.00
Two N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. bonds, \$1,000 4%	2,000.00
Two N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. bonds, \$1,000 4%	2,000.00
Deposited in Braintree Savings Bank	6,526.05
Deposited in Weymouth Savings Bank	4,000.00
Deposited in Quincy Savings Bank	1,750.94
5 Matured shares of Braintree Co-operative Bank Certificate No. 148	1,000.00
	<hr/>
	\$24,276.99

Dr.

Cr.

Income, 1926	\$1,097.38
Paid Trustees Thayer Public Library	\$1,097.38

Examined and approved. The securities listed, amounting to \$24,276.99 are in the custody of the Treasurer and have been examined by us.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

THE CHARLES EDWARD FRENCH TRUST

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

Principal:

Braintree Savings Bank, Book No. 10,092 \$2,419.50

Dr.

Cr.

Balance January 1, 1926	\$86.43
Coupons	47.83

Interest on deposit	35.09	
Paid Higgins, Magnuson & Co.		\$99.00
Balance in Braintree Savings Bank, December 31, 1926		70.35
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$169.35	\$169.35

Examined and approved, balance in Braintree Savings Bank of \$70.35 and principal as listed found in the custody of Treasurer.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

THE ANN MARIA PENNIMAN TRUST

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

Income Account:

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance in bank, Jan. 1926	\$39.03	
Interest on deposit	12.13	
Paid F. A. Chapman and Alida N. Stevens. com- mittee		\$21.50
Balance in bank		29.66
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$51.16	\$51.16

Amount of fund, \$500.00 and balance \$29.66 on deposit in Braintree Savings Bank. Receipt for expenditures in hands of Treasurer.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance, January 1, 1926 .. \$	2,059.49	
Street Lights	9,225.00	
F. B. Lawrence, Manager..	224,108.06	
Interest on deposit	156.35	
Paid by orders (including depreciation fund, \$11, 613.55)		\$229,733.60
Balance December 31, 1926		5,815.00
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$235,548.60	\$235,548.60

Examined and approved with balances as follows:

State Street Trust	\$ 3,196.32
Braintree National Bank ...	2,018.68
F. B. Lawrence, Cash	600.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 5,815.00

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

The account of the Treasurer of the Water Department will be found in the Water Department report.

ELECTRIC DEPRECIATION FUND

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance, January 1, 1926 ..	\$ 10,317.64	
Interest on deposit	222.82	
Town Appropriation (from Electric Light De- partment)	11,613.55	
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1926		\$ 22,154.01
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$ 22,154.01	\$ 22,154.01

Examined and approved. Amount of fund \$22,154.01, found on deposit in National Shawmut Bank.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

BRAINTREE SCHOOL FUND

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

Principal Account:	
Real Estate (Valued)	\$ 4,000.00
Quincy Savings Bank	1,022.50
Weymouth Savings Bank	1,000.00
Randolph Savings Bank	600.00
Braintree Savings Bank	2,270.65
	<hr/>
	\$ 8,893.15

Income Account:

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance, January 1, 1926 . . \$	771.78	
Savings Bank Interest	255.58	
Liberty Bond Coupons	6.75	
Rent	248.00	
Scholarships		\$ 243.00
Balance on hand, Income account deposited in Braintree Savings Bank		1,039.11
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$ 1,282.11	\$ 1,282.11

Examined and approved. Amounts of both Principal and Income funds are as stated and on deposit as given.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors, 1926.

January 5, 1927.

Wood to the amount of \$6.00 has been sold and the proceeds added to the principal account. The Liberty bond was sold at a premium of \$12 making a total of \$18 added to the principal during the year.

FUNDED DEBT OF TOWN

Hollis School Bonds, \$500 each, 4% maturing \$2,000.00 yearly, 1927 - 1932 inclusive	\$ 15,000.00
Town Hall Bonds, \$1,000 each, 4% maturing \$2,000.00 yearly, 1927-1932 inclusive	12,000.00

Tuberculosis Hospital Bonds, dated December 1, 1919, 4½ % maturing \$1,000 1927-1935 inclusive	9,000.00
High School Site Bonds, dated December 1, 1919, 4½ %, maturing \$1,000, 1927-1929 inclusive	3,000.00
Thomas A. Watson School House Loan, dated September 1, 1922, maturing \$4,000, 1927-1942, inclusive	64,000.00
Electric Light Construction Loan, dated July 1, 1924, maturing \$10,000 1927-1929, inclusive	30,000.00
Torrey School Addition Loan, dated October 1, 1925, maturing \$10,000.00, 1927-1940, inclusive	140,000.00
High School Loan (Act of 1920) dated July 15, 1926 and maturing \$20,000.00, 1927-1941, inclusive	300,000.00
High School Loan of 1926, dated July 15, 1926 and maturing \$3,800 in 1927 and \$3,000 1928-1931 and \$2,000 1932-1941 inclusive	35,800.00
Penniman School Addition loan dated December 1, 1926 and payable \$7,000 1927-1932 and \$6,000.00 1933-1941 inclusive	96,000.00
Water Main and Standpipe loan dated Dec. 1, 1926 and payable \$5,000.00 1927-1936, inclusive	50,000.00
	<hr/>
	\$754,800.00

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF DENTAL CLINIC, 1926

November 2, 1926.

Clinic opened at Braintree Friendly Aid Rooms.
Pupils examined by School Nurse and sent to Clinic
for treatment.

Report of Dental Clinic from January 1st to De-
cember 31st, 1926.

Children treated in January .	194
Cleanings	58
Fillings	109
Extractions	7

74

Children treated in February . .	135
Cleanings	88
Fillings	19
Abscess opened	2
Examinations	1

110

Children treated in March . .	197
Cleanings	86
Fillings	76
Extractions	3
Abscess opened	4

169

Children treated in April	110
Cleanings	53
Fillings	44
Extractions	3

Extractions	4	
	<hr/>	104
Children treated in May		141
Cleanings	62	
Fillings	38	
Extractions	1	
	<hr/>	101
Children treated in November		201
Cleanings	104	
Fillings	76	
Abscess opened	2	
	<hr/>	182
Children treated in December		204
Cleanings	91	
Fillings	88	
Examinations	3	
	<hr/>	182

Total number of children treated—1182.

Total number of operations—1022.

Respectfully,

ELLA V. BERNIER, R. N.

REPORT OF TUBERCULOSIS WORK, 1926

117 visits have been made in connection with the follow-up work in Tuberculosis.

All new cases reported through the Board of Health have been investigated, histories taken and reports sent into the State Board of Health.

An increase of 10 has been noted in the past year.

Respectfully,

ELLA V. BERNIER, R. N.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of the Police Department for the year 1926.

Whole number of arrests	232
Residents	126
Non-Residents	106
Male	219
Female	13

Offences for which arrests were made:

	Res.	Non-Res.	Male	Female	Total
Assault and Battery	21		17	4	21
Attempt to Rape		2	2		2
Bastardy	2		2		2
Breaking and Entering	2	3	5		5
Desertion	7	2	9		9
Driving Auto Under Influence of Liquor	1	11	12		12
Disturbing the Peace	2		2		2
Disorderly Conduct	1		1		1
Drunkenness	37	32	69		69
False Fire Alarms	3		3		3
Forgery	3		3		3
Gambling		4	4		4
Idle and Disorderly	0	3	3		3
Insane		1		1	1
Keeping House of Ill-fame ..	2		1	1	2
Larceny	8	6	13	1	14
Manslaughter	0	1	1		1
Neglect of Family	7	2	9		9
Stubborn Child	1		1		1
Suspicious Person	0	1	1		1
Threat to Assault	1		1		1
Tramp	0	1	1		1
Trespass	1			1	1
Violation of Auto Laws	11	36	47		47
Violation of Liquor Laws ..	17		13	5	18
Violation of Probation Laws	1		1		1
	126	106	219	13	232

Number of trips (including hospital and accident cases) when the use of ambulance was necessary . . 65

Complaint and Auto Accidents

January	67
February	46
March	81
April	103
May	108
June	104
July	109
August	117
September	98
October	80
November	79
December	65
<hr/>	
Total	1057

I recommend that the ten patrolmen receive increase in salary of two hundred dollars each, also, that a gas tank and oil barrel be installed in the police garage at the rear of the Town Hall.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Chief.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

27 Sampson Place,

Braintree, Mass., Dec. 20, 1926.

To the honorable board of Selectmen,

of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen: In making the annual inspection of animals for the year 1926, I visited 106 places where animals are kept and I found 365 cows 29 young cattle, 2 bulls, 865 swine, 10 goats. I found no oxen nor sheep. I also inspected hens and found them in very good condition. There seems to be a general improvement in the condition in which these animals are kept today, over the past.

There has been no cases of rabbies among dogs reported to me this year.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHUS SAMPSON,

Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF MEATS, PROVISIONS AND SLAUGHTERING

Braintree, December 31, 1926.

To the Board of Health of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen: I have the honor of submitting to you my annual report of inspection of meats, provisions and slaughtering for the year ending December 31, 1926.

I have inspected during the past year 197 animal carcasses and from that number I have stamped for approval 196 as food, and condemned as unfit for consumption 1 hog, 7 livers.

The usual inspection of markets and meats and fish pedlers has been made.

I wish to take this opportunity to publicly thank the members of the Board of Health for their hearty co-operation during my term of office, from which office I resigned the first of January.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. HEANEY.

Inspector of Meats, Provisions and Slaughtering.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Water Department
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



Printed by
THE BRAINTREE OBSERVER
PRATT & PRATT, Publishers

1927

ORGANIZATION

WILLIAM C. HARRISON, Chairman.

GEORGE A. WALKER

CHARLES B. CUMMINGS

OTIS B. OAKMAN, Treasurer

HARRISON W. MACOMBER, Secretary and
Purchasing Agent

JOHN W. MULCAHY, Superintendent

FRANCIS J. O'ROURKE, Chief Engineer

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The Board of Water Commissioners submit herewith the Annual Report of the Water Department of the year ending December 31, 1926.

Work on 8 inch main on West Street authorized by Vote on Article 79 in Annual Town Meeting of 1924, and Article 82 in Annual Town Meeting of 1925, has been completed.

Work on Standpipe and Main pipe as authorized by Vote on Article 95 in Annual Town Meeting of 1926, and as amended by Vote of Special Town Meeting held July 26 1926. The Main pipe line is extended to within 200 feet of the Standpipe and this is mostly ledge work. The Standpipe with the exception of painting will be finished by the time the Voters read this report. Expenditures under this article will be within the appropriation.

Last Annual Report we stated that preparations were being made to install a new pumping unit at Great Pond Station. Electric driven Centrifugal pump of one and one half million gallons capacity has been installed and will be ready for operation when this report goes to press. Total cost not to exceed \$6,185.00.

Following are the reports of the Secretary, Collector, Registrar and Superintendent.

MAINTENANCE

G. E. Warren . . . . .	.50
Norfolk County Registry of Deeds . . . . .	.54
Markrow Ribbon & Carbon	2.01
William Lillie	2.50
L. Grossman & Sons	3.00

Braintree Service Express	3.00
M. S. Butler	5.00
Allen Bros. Corp.	5.54
Chas. N. Smart	6.00
New England Water Works Ass.	6.00
Kardex Rand Sales Corp.	6.25
Wm. Cuff Est.	10.50
C. S. Hannaford	36.01
H. W. Macomber	30.82
H. W. Bailey Co.	93.62
C. W. Bailey, Supt. P. O.	168.04
Pratt & Pratt	178.75
L. E. Muran	171.18
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	348.12
William C. Harrison	100.00
George A. Walker	100.00
Charles B. Cummings	100.00
Town of Randolph	1,692.76
H. W. Macomber	1,600.00
Pay Roll	1,266.17

\$5,936.31

GREAT POND

Braintree Auto Express	1.25
I. P. Weston	1.97
W. A. Torrey	3.75
Amercian Railway Express	4.63
Johns Mansville Inc	5.03
Pittsburg Plate Glass	5.85
D. A. Chandler	8.30

Winer's Hardware	8.75
The Q. P. Signal Co.	8.77
G. E. Warren Co.	9.60
Pierce Perry Co.	17.50
The Garlock Packing Co.	20.10
Walworth Mfg. Co.	20.25
Tropical Paint & Oil Co.	19.41
Ashton Valve Co.	32.84
Hayes Pump Machinery Co.	35.89
Donaldson Iron Co.	43.68
Pinel Tool Co.	54.60
Haskell's Garage	60.50
A. W. Chesterton Co.	66.03
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	78.00
A. P. Smith Co.	140.00
Braintree Electric Light Dept. . .	158.13
Builders Iron Foundry Co.	177.81
A. A. Drollett	209.90
Woodsum Coal Co.	223.85
Commonwealth Oil Co.	273.39
Curran & Barton	275.50
C. H. Sprague & Sons	1,892.14
Eagle Oil Co.	66.50
F. A. Mazzur Co.	5,087.25
Pay Roll	5,749.35

\$14,760.52

LITTLE POND

Perkins Express . . . . .	.50
R. W. Haskell . . . . .	.85

G. E. Warren	1.00
Rhines Lumber Co.	1.52
Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co.	4.44
Crawford Machine Co.	5.00
A. W. Chesterton	5.60
Braintree Electric Light Dept. ..	13.83
L. Grossman & Sons	26.00
Woodsum Coal Co.	176.05
Pay Roll	433.00

\$667.79

SERVICE MAINTENANCE

Braintree Auto Express .....	.35
Perkins Express	1.65
D. A. Chandler	2.46
Tropical Paint & Oil Co.	3.60
Braman Dow Co.	2.47
Woodsum Coal Co.	2.35
R. E. Whitman	28.00
G. E. Warren	30.94
Mass. Amiesite Co.	105.00
Pay Roll	3,364.58

\$3,541.40

SERVICE WORK OUTSIDE STREET

Haskells Garage	1.80
D. A. Chandler .....	.72
Woodsum Coal Co.	1.25
I. P. Weston'	1.50
J. E. Ludden	2.76
W. B. Skinner	3.77

American Railway Express	8.01
W. S. Darley & Co.	11.40
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	14.20
Pinel Tool Co.	16.88
G. E. Warren	20.85
Red Hed Mfg. Co.	39.12
Walworth Mfg. Co.	50.65
A. E. Roberts	46.44
William Lillie	65.02
G. A. Caldwell Co.	65.80
Donaldson Iron Co.	72.00
Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co.	953.86
A. C. Trojano	989.22
Mueller Co., Inc.	1,579.85
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.	4,465.83
Pay Roll	5,511.48

\$13,919.41

SERVICE WORK IN STREET

Braintree Auto Express	1.85
E. L. LeBarron Foundry Co.	1.87
Winer's Hardware Stores	2.03
American Railway Express	2.84
J. E. Ludden	4.10
G. E. Warren	4.83
Pierce Perry Co.	6.99
Water Works Equipment	7.75
Edward T. Dwyer	9.50
Wm. S. Darley Co.	10.00
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	10.30

William Lillie	17.78
Red. Hed Mfg. Co.	25.83
G. A. Caldwell Co.	18.33
Walworth Mfg. Co.	27.81
Rennselear Valve Co.	30.50
Pinel Tool Co.	34.02
Donaldson Iron Co.	34.97
Mass. Ameisite Co.	54.19
Sumner & Dunbar	57.35
Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co.	319.88
Mueller Co., Inc.	526.71
A. C. Trojano	545.09
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.	1,656.87
Pay Roll	1,895.51

\$5,306.90

METERS

Braintree Auto Express .....	.35
American Railway Express ....	.84
Pratt & Pratt	8.75
National Meter Co.	3,796.92

\$3,806.86

METER REPAIRS

National Meter Co.	269.21
Pay Roll	541.00

\$810.21

READING, TESTING AND INSPECTING METERS

G. E. Warren	2.15	
Haskells Garage	11.91	
Pay Roll	1,401.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,415.06

HYDRANTS

Perkins Express . . . . .	.70	
H. W. Bailey	2.50	
Arthur H. Blanchard	6.45	
American Railway Express	9.86	
The Tropical Paint & Oil Co.	25.92	
Builders Iron Foundry	34.42	
Walworth Mfg. Co.	43.05	
Rennselear Valve Co.	1,388.57	
Pay Roll	732.39	
	<hr/>	
		\$2,243.86

HYDRANT REPAIRS

Pinel Tool Co.	1.50	
J. F. Gallivan	17.50	
A. W. Chesterton	33.30	
Coffin Valve Co.	340.00	
Pay Roll	118.20	
	<hr/>	
		\$510.50

TESTING, FLUSHING AND INSPECTING HYDRANTS

Pay Roll	172.11
----------------	--------

\$172.11

TOOLS

D. A. Chandler	2.43
Waldo Bros. & Bond Co.	3.00
Go.e A. Caldwell Co.	8.53
Pinel Tool Co.	37.75
Hauck Mfg. Co.	105.00

\$156.71

MAIN PIPE EXTENSIONS

Braintree Service Express	3.00
Pratt & Pratt	3.75
Pierce Perry Co.	3.91
Braintree Auto Express	4.00
Pinel Tool Co.	4.00
Vulcan Tool Co.	5.25
Fay S. Call	6.00
L. Grossman & Sons	12.60
E. L. LeBarron Foundry	14.55
Arthur C. Harvey Co.	14.99
The Tropical Paint & Oil Co. ...	17.28
G. E. Warren	36.92
American Railway Express	62.93
Geo. A. Caldwell Co.	64.00
Cambridge Plumbing Supply Co.	77.32
Hingham Water Co.	56.19

Sumner & Dunbar	88.20
Rhines Lumber Co.	56.83
Mueller Co., Inc.	89.70
United Cork Companies	106.10
Conard & Buzby	124.09
Waldo Bros. & Bond Co.	140.80
A. A. Drollett	152.74
The A. P. Smith Co.	360.51
United States Cast Iron Pipe	1,032.95
Builders Iron Foundry Co.	1,678.28
Rennselear Valve Co.	2,506.07
Chadwick Boston Lead Co.	3,025.71
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	3,259.89
A. C. Trojano	21,808.13
Donaldson Iron Co.	28,113.22
Pay Roll	1,439.80

\$64,369.71

MAIN PIPE REPAIRS

G. E. Warren	4.20
Weymouth Water Dept.	20.43

\$24.63

WATER PROTECTION

N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co.	87
Otis B. Oakman, Collector	10.25
Fields Point Mfg. Co.	40.50
John P. Shay	159.00
Wallace & Tiernan	774.30

\$984.92

GARAGE

D. A. Chandler	9.34
H. W. Borden	10.46
Grossman Coal Co.	97.00
Pay Roll	433.00

\$549.80

INSURANCE

James F. Burke	12.50
Employees Liab. Ass. Corp.	142.16
George E. Sampson	387.46

\$542.12

SUPERINTENDENT

John W. Mulcahy	2,100.00
-----------------------	----------

\$2,100.00

AUTOMOBILES**SUPERINTENDENT'S CAR (Dodge Coupe)**

South Braintree Tire & Vul. Co.	3.60
H. T. West Co.	6.05
Batchelder Motor Co.	7.00
Register of Motor Vehicles	12.00
Tide Water Oil Sales Corp. ..	11.36
Standard Oil Co.	175.46
Haskell's Garage	474.75

\$690.22

METER CAR (Ford Truck)

Register of Motor Vehicles	4.00
H. T. West Co.	6.05
Tide Water Oil Sales Corp.	11.30
Braintree Tire & Battery Service	57.20
Haskell's Garage	130.41
Standard Oil Co.	144.00
Braintree Motor Co.	342.53

\$695.49

DODGE TRUCK

Register of Motor Vehicles	4.00
H. T. West Co.	6.05
So. Braintree Tire & Vul. Co. . .	6.10
Tide Water Oil Sales Corp.	11.30
Braintree Tire & Battery Service	32.60
Standard Oil Co.	132.00
Haskell's Garage	189.47

\$381.52

REO TRUCK

H. W. Macomber . . . . .	.38
Norbet A. Fredette . . . . .	.85
Quincy Reo Co. . . . .	.75
Braintree Tire & Battery Service	.75
Register of Motor Vehicles	2.00
So. Braintree Tire & Vul. Co. . .	5.60
Doane's Garage	5.85
H. T. West Co.	6.05
Tide Water Oil Sales Corp.	11.30

Community Garage	22.25
S. Scammell & Sons	25.60
Linscott Motor Co.	33.39
Haskell's Garage	140.50
Standard Oil Co.	148.50
A. C. Trojano	72.00

\$475.77

NEW STANDPIPE

Pittsburgh Des Moines Steel Co. 12,495.00

\$12,495.00

STANDPIPE FOUNDATION

Weymouth Water Dept.	57.89
Rhines Lumber Co.	69.24
Woodsum Coal Co.	341.25
Edward T. Dwyer	426.00
A. C. Trojano	1,244.16

\$2,138.54

ENGINEERING

Symonds & Stevens 1,084.48 |

\$1,084.48

RECAPITULATION

Maintenance	5,936.31
Great Pond	14,760.52
Little Pond	667.79
Service Maintenance	3,541.40
Service Work Outside Street ...	13,919.41
Service Work in Street	5,306.90
Meters	3,806.86
Meter Repairs	810.21
Reading, Inspecting & Testing Meters	1,415.06
Hydrants	2,243.86
Hydrant Repairs	510.50
Testing and Flushing Hydrants	172.11
Tools	156.71
Main Pipe Extensions	64,369.71
Main Pipe Repairs	24.63
Water Protection	984.92
Garage	549.80
Insurance	542.12
Superintendent	2,100.00
New Standpipe	12,495.00
Standpipe Foundation	2,138.54
Symonds & Stevens, Engineers..	1,084.48
Automobiles	2,243.00
<hr/>	
\$139,779.84	

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Water Rates charged 1926 .	\$67,931.79
Pipes, Labor etc.	14,963.15
Water Rates Outstanding	
Jan. 1, 1926	7,129.04
Pipes, Labor etc., Outstand-	
ing Jan. 1, 1926	3,183.45

Town of Braintree (Hydrants)	500.00	
Mrs. E. A. Hollingsworth ..	78.00	
Salvadore Cordaro (Rent of Farm)	500.00	
Frank C. Walsh (Rent)	50.00	
Sam Beer	5.00	
Telephone Acct., etc.	9.78	
Collections		\$82,548.57
Water Rates Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926		7,703.42
Pipes, Labor etc., Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926		3,746.55
Abatements		351.67
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$94,350.21	\$94,350.21

SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance, Dec. 31, 1925	28,982.21
Otis B. Oakman, Treas. (including Town of Braintree Hydrants)	82,548.57
Braintree National Bank, interest on open account ..	50.90
First National Bank, interest on open account	99.59
Braintree National Bank, interest on Special Deposit	806.09
First National Bank, interest on Special Deposit	67.61
National Mt. Wollaston Bank, interest on Special Deposit	242.29
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co. (Reels returned)	204.00

E. H. Rollins & Sons, Water main and Standpipe Bonds	50,000.00	
Discounts for Cash	356.93	
Paid sundry bills, as per vouchers		\$139,779.84
Balance, Dec. 31, 1926		23,578.35
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$163,358.19	\$163,358.19

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Balance, January 1, 1926	\$ 600.00	
Collected, 1926	82,548.57	
Paid Treasurer, on his re- ceipts		\$ 82,548.57
	<hr/>	<hr/>

\$ 83,148.57 \$ 83,148.57

Examined and approved with the vouchers for ex-
penditures and balance on hand as outlined above.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,

PAUL MONAGHAN,

HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Auditors.

January 19, 1927.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Otis B. Oakman, Treasurer,

In account with Board of Water Commissioners:

	Dr.	Cr
Balance from 1925	\$ 28,982.21	

Received from H. W. Mac-		
comber, Collectors	82,048.57	
Received from Town of		
Braintree (Hydrants) . . .	500.00	
Received interest on deposits	1,266.48	
Water Main & Standpipe		
Loan	50,000.00	
Paid orders of Commis-		
sioners		\$139,218.91
Balance, December 31, 1926		23,578.35
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$162,797.26	\$162,797.26

Examined and approved with balance on hand
as follows:

On Deposit:

First National Bank	\$ 20,993.94
Brainrtee National Bank . .	1,984.41
Cash in hands of Secretary	600.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 23,578.35

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Auditors.

January 5, 1927

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Water Commissioners of
the Town of Braintree:

Gentlemen:

Two hundred and fifty-nine new services were laid
during the year.

Kind of pipe and number of feet laid:

	Feet	In.
Five-eighths-inch lead pipe	10155	
Three-fourths-inch lead pipe	163	
Three-fourths-inch iron pipe	654	
One-inch iron pipe	1932	
One-and one-fourth-inch iron pipe	163	
Two-inch iron pipe	52	
Two-inch brass pipe	140	

Total 13259

Total service pipe in System December 31, 1926:

42 miles, 437 feet.

Seventy-Five Services were renewed.

Five-eighths-inch lead pipe	2479	7
Three-fourths-inch lead pipe	58	6
One-inch iron pipe	904	
Two-inch iron pipe	279	

Total 3720 13

Fourteen-inch cast iron pipe on Faxon St. 1020

Twelve-inch cast iron pipe on Commercial
Street - Union Street 7284

Twelve-inch cast iron pipe at Pumping
Station 60

Ten-inch cast iron pipe at Pumping Station 15

Eight-inch cast iron pipe on West Street .. 7121

Six-inch cast iron pipe on Wilkins Street . 246

Six-inch cast iron pipe on Mashal Street .. 404

Six-inch cast iron pipe on Bellevue Ave. .. 241

Six-inch cast iron pipe on Buckminster Rd. 663

Six-inch cast iron pipe on Oakland Road .. 197

Six-inch cast iron pipe on Cotton Ave. 100

Six-inch cast iron pipe on Pearl Street 185

2036

Four-inch cast iron pipe on Crawford Road	
(Upper)	278
Four-inch cast iron pipe on Crawford Road	
(Lower)	270
Four-inch cast iron pipe on View Ave.	585
Four-inch cast iron pipe on Bay Road	233
Four-inch cast iron pipe on Sheppard Ave.	194
	<hr/>
	1560
Two-inch Galvanized iron pipe on Wil-	
marth Road	124
Two-inch Galvanized iron pipe on Vernon	213
Two-inch Galvanized iron pipe on Norfolk	
Road	162
Two-inch Galvanized iron pipe on High-	
land Ave.	65
	<hr/>
	564
One-and one-half-inch iron pipe on Azel	
Road	136
One-and one-half-inch iron pipe on Argyle	
Road	212
	<hr/>
	348
One-inch iron pipe on Wilkins Street	270
One-inch iron pipe on Hamilton Street	88
One-inch iron pipe on Standish Ave.	140
One-inch iron pipe on Morrison Road	65
One-inch iron pipe on Trefton Drive	75
	<hr/>
	638

DISTRIBUTION MAINS IN OPERATION

December 31, 1926.

Sixteen-inch Cast iron pipe	741
Fourteen-inch Cast iron pipe	1151
Twelve-inch Cast iron pipe	26079
Ten-inch Cast iron pipe	10517
Eight-inch Cast iron pipe	28341
Six-inch Cast iron pipe	184585
Four-inch Cast iron pipe	37171
Two-inch wrought iron pipe	15174
One-and one-half inch wrought iron pipe	4001
One-and one-fourth inch wrought iron pipe	5405
One inch wrought iron pipe	19078
Three-fourths inch wrought iron pipe	1409
<hr/>	
63 miles, 1012 feet.	333,652 ft.

**NUMBER, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF HYDRANTS
SET DURING 1926.**

Number	Location	Maker
354	Faxon St., near Com'l St.	Corey
355	Union St., near Texas Oil Co.	Corey
356	West Street	Corey
357	West Street	Corey
358	West Street	Corey
359	West Street	Corey
360	Crawford Road	Corey
361	Bellevue Road	Corey
362	Buckminster Road	Corey
363	Buckminster Road	Corey
364	Cotton Avenue	Corey
365	Marshal Street	Corey

NUMBER, LOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF VALVES SET DURING YEAR 1926

Valve No.	6 Inches	4 Inches	2 Inches
609	Five Corners	1	
610	Bellevue Road	1	
611	Oakland Ave.	1	
612	Pearl Street	1	
613	Crawford, upper	1	
614	Crawford, lower	1	
615	View Ave.	1	
616	Bay Road		1
617	Wilmarth Road		1
618	Vernon St.		1
619	Norfolk Road		1

**NUMBER, LOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF VALVES SET
DURING YEAR 1926**

Valve No.	14 Inches	12 Inches	10 Inches	8 Inches	6 Inches
620	Faxon-Commercial St.	1			
621	Faxon-Stetson St.	1			
622	Faxon-Commercial St.		1		
623	Union St. opp. 673		1		
624	" " Miller		1		
625	" " Middle		1		
626	" " Middle		1		
627	" " opp. 259		1		
628	" " opp. Texas Oil		1		
629	" " French Ave.		1		
630	" " Wash. St.		1		
631	Great Pond Pumping Station		1		
632	Great Pond Pumping Station			1	
633	West St., near Wood Road . .			1	
634	" " at Heurlin s.			1	
635	" " at Burtons			1	
636	" " opp. 407			1	
637	" " opp. 407			1	1
638	Five Corners				1

METER RECORD FOR 1926

	$\frac{5}{8}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2	3	4	6	Total
Empire	2906	50	4	10	3	3	2	1	2982
Crown		21							21
Gem					3				3
Hersy	2								2
<hr/>									
	2904	74	4	10	6	3	2	1	3008

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. MULCAHY,

Superintendent.

PUMPING RECORD FOR 1926

	Gallons pumped	Coal burned	Time run	Gallons pumped with 100 lbs. of coal
January	28,079,961	71,455	444.	37,207
February	25,499,090	65,165	411.50	39,237
March	28,762,694	75,645	478.45	39,228
April	29,100,309	72,825	472.	38,030
May	27,182,652	71,680	439.30	39,986
June	28,546,218	77,285	458.35	37,182
July	32,633,286	83,770	530.25	36,949
August	31,978,044	86,805	511.10	38,955
September	29,501,325	81,750	481.40	36,608
October	30,536,457	83,670	498.40	36,332
November	29,556,261	78,400	476.15	36,406
December	31,439,961	84,500	500.20	36,678
<hr/>				
Totals	352,816,558	932,950	5,703.10	
Averages	966,621	2,556	15.54	37,793

Largest day's pumping, Wednesday, July 21st, 1,310,946.

Smallest day's pumping, Sunday, May 30th, 705,373.

FRANCIS J. O'ROURKE,

Chief Engineer.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Fire Department

OF THE

TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



Printed by

THE BRAINTREE OBSERVER

PRATT & PRATT, Publishers

1927

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit to you the annual report of the Fire Department of the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1926.

Total number of calls during the year—313, divided as follows:

Box Alarms	Month	Still Alarms.
1	January	6
3	February	9
4	March	15
9	April	93
5	May	37
7	June	9
11	July	29
1	August	13
3	September	8
6	October	9
3	November	8
3	December	14
<hr/>		<hr/>
56	Totals	257

Month	Buildings	Woods, Dumps, Grass and Bonfires	Automobiles	Oil Tanks	False Alarms	Cat in Trees	Boy in Pond	Totals
Jan.	9	4	0	0	1	0	0	14
Feb.	10	0	1	0	0	1	0	12
March	10	7	0	0	2	2	0	19
April	7	93	2	0	0	0	0	102
May	6	35	1	0	0	0	0	42
June	5	7	2	0	2	0	0	16
July	5	27	2	0	6	0	0	40
Aug.	5	7	0	1	0	0	1	14
Sept.	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	11
Oct.	7	7	1	0	0	0	0	15
Nov.	4	5	1	0	1	0	0	11
Dec.	11	1	5	0	0	0	0	17
Total	87	196	15	1	12	1	1	313

Mo.	Valuation on Buildings	Insurance on Buildings	Damage to Buildings	Ins. Paid on Buildings
Jan.	\$105,000.00	\$ 97,000.00	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00
Feb.	60,300.00	58,300.00	8,226.40	8,226.40
Mar.	69,000.00	63,500.00	313.00	313.00
Apr.	36,100.00	33,000.00	8,555.00	8,545.00
May	16,000.00	14,000.00	115.00	115.00
June	23,000.00	15,000.00	2,970.00	2,770.00
July	38,100.00	30,900.00	721.00	721.00
Aug.	244,000.00	231,500.00	35,304.00	35,304.00
Sept.	41,000.00	38,300.00	1,960.00	1,960.00
Oct.	52,700.00	47,500.00	2,963.00	2,963.00
Nov.	19,300.00	14,000.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Dec.	79,885.00	69,585.00	5,333.50	5,333.50

Tot. \$764,385.00 \$712,585.00 \$70,410.90 \$70,000.90

Fire May 5th, Blanket Insurance Policy.

Insurance \$1,700,000.00
 Damage 33,000.00
 Insurance Paid 33,000.00

Mo.	Valuation on Contents	Insurance on Contents	Damage to Contents	Ins. Paid on Contents
Jan.	\$ 57,500.00	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 276.83	\$ 276.83
Feb.	20,020.00	20,020.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Mar.	24,600.00	22,700.00	50.00	none
Apr.	9,600.00	9,000.00	835.00	835.00
May	3,500.00	3,000.00	Blanket	none
June	9,300.00	5,800.00	1,725.00	1,700.00
July	32,200.00	25,500.00	233.00	233.00
Aug.	204,105.00	203,605.00	2,652.60	2,652.60
Sept.	47,300.00	47,000.00	1,240.00	1,225.00
Oct.	9,200.00	9,000.00	718.00	718.00
Nov.	8,500.00	8,500.00	2,200.00	2,200.00
Dec.	24,200.00	17,500.00	554.25	554.25

Tot. \$450,025.00 \$426,625.00 \$12,484.68 \$12,394.68

	Hose Laid (feet)	Chemical Used (gals.)	Ladders Used (feet)	Pumping Engine Pumped Water Hrs. Min.	
Jan.	1,300	18	335		25
Feb.	850	15	160		10
March	1,750	30	197		10
April	11,750	237	240	3	15
May	5,100	139	230	1	30
June	2,800	120	35		40
July	2,300	145	155		35
Aug.	1,800	12		1	40
Sept.	950	18	50		15
Oct.	2,300	53	175		30
Nov.	1,500	44	90		5
Dec.	450	21	185	1	40
Total	32,580	850	1,852	10	55

Total Calls That Each Piece Answered

Jan.	12	8	8	0	3	8	2	0
Feb.	10	5	8	0	3	7	0	2
March	15	8	10	5	4	10	3	0
April	88	14	12	84	14	36	3	0
May	34	7	8	29	5	10	5	0
June	15	5	8	7	4	12	2	0
July	22	11	13	7	7	18	16	0
Aug.	14	5	5	7	1	9	0	0
Sept.	10	4	5	1	2	3	2	0
Oct.	14	6	7	5	3	10	3	0
Nov.	10	2	5	4	2	6	1	0
Dec.	15	13	9	0	3	10	1	0
Totals	259	88	98	149	51	139	38	2

Total Calls in Each Precinct.

Month	Precincts	One	Two	Three
January		8	5	1
February		6	4	2
March		9	6	4
April		56	21	25
May		23	7	12
June		4	5	7
July		10	19	11
Aug.		5	5	4
Sept.		5	1	5
Oct.		5	6	4
Nov.		8	2	1
Dec.		9	5	3
		<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	Totals	148	86	79

Permits Granted During the Year

Transport Oil in Harbor	62
Gasolene	13
Dynamite	8
Fuel Oil	23
Fireworks	9
Set Fires in open air	179
Removal of Gasolene tanks	5

Deaths and Accidents

September 7, Frank Plumber, 138 Town St., 73 years old, fatally burned about body. Cause, clothing ignited from oil stove, Fire Department not called.

September 12, Box 47, Luigi Pizzella, King Hill Road, received second degree burns on back. Cause, attempting to extinguish fire.

August 3, Box 48. House fire; property owned by Guertino Giannini, Woods Road. Squad A was in collision with a State Highway truck. Harold Gilman, call fireman, was thrown from truck. Fractured right leg; treated at Quincy Hospital; Returned from Hospital November 4th.

State Law

A State Law was enacted regulating the passage of fire apparatus responding to fires. This law requires the driver of a vehicle to drive to the right hand curb and stop until apparatus has passed. To remain at a distance of 300 feet behind the apparatus and restricting the parking of a vehicle within 600 feet of a fire.

The co-operation of all drivers is respectfully asked in aiding the department to respond without delay.

In conclusion, I wish to extend my thanks to the Honorable Board of Selectmen, and to the members of the Finance Committee for their co-operation and interest in the welfare of the department.

To all others that have volunteered their services or assisted the department in any manner.

The officers and members of the department have my commendation and sincere thanks for the efficient and faithful manner in which they have performed their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. TENNEY,

Chief of Fire Department.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board presents its report for the year of 1926.

This year the Planning Board has devoted its time almost exclusively to the preparation of a comprehensive zoning plan, in accordance with instructions voted under Article 109 at the last Annual Town Meeting, on the joint recommendation of the Finance Committee and the Planning Board. This vote provided that a committee of six citizens, two from each precinct, be appointed by the Moderator to work with the Planning Board on zoning, and that \$1700 be appropriated for the expenses of this task.

Citizens Advisory Committee

Herbert A. Bryant	Charles O. Miller
Merton L. Emerson	Paul V. Monaghan
Rev. J. Caleb Justice	Joseph W. Parker

As soon as this committee was appointed, we joined with them in the organization of a "Zoning Committee", which has functioned very harmoniously as a unit throughout the work. The Committee's first endeavor was the securing of a consultant. After careful investigation we decided upon Mr. Arthur C. Comey, of Cambridge, who has a national reputation as an expert on town planning and zoning. We feel that his work has been very satisfactory and that his high recommendations were well deserved.

He, with the Committee, first carefully studied conditions all over the town, then formulated a tentative draft of the by-law and map. This was informally talked over with the citizens in meetings held for the purpose at the Town Hall, Cochato Club, South School,

Jonas Perkins School, Braintree Point Welfare Club, Hollis School, Noah Torrey School and Penniman School. In the light of the opinions brought out in these discussions a revised draft was prepared, and as this report goes to press, plans are being made for a general hearing in the Town Hall preparatory to the final submitting of the proposition to the Town Meeting.

It seems unnecessary to repeat here many arguments for zoning, as most citizens are probably already familiar with the subject. We will simply say that zoning is the only effective means yet devised that will tend to promote the growth of our town along well defined and orderly lines by establishing definite districts for industry, business and homes. Our home neighborhood or "residential zones" are thus protected from invasion by commercial activities detrimental to them, while, on the other hand, business and industrial enterprises are encouraged by being given special advantages such as parking space, spur tracks, and other facilities, which can be secured to a greater extent because of this segregation than would be possible otherwise. Zoning also provides for a certain minimum amount of space around dwellings, ensuring for everyone adequate sunshine and air—so essential to health—and preventing the dark, unsanitary slums that disgrace so many cities.

After zoning is accomplished, our next task should be the study of the other factors that make up a comprehensive plan for the town's growth. We are in a peculiarly advantageous position right now to do this work with less expense than will probably ever be possible again, because now advantage can be taken of the information regarding present local conditions which has already been gathered in connection with

the study of the zoning plan. Therefore we recommend that the Town raise and appropriate \$600 and, adding to it the unexpended balance from last year's zoning appropriation, authorize the use of the total for this purpose. We believe there is no other way the citizens can spend \$600.00 and receive so much value in return for the investment.

One feature of town planning which it is imperative should be advanced as rapidly as possible is the establishment of building lines on our business and industrial streets, many of which are much too narrow for future—in some cases for present—needs. Building lines will prevent structures being built in such positions as to be in the way of future widenings. We urge that the Board of Survey give this matter immediate attention, and offer our active co-operation.

Another matter of pressing importance is the widening of our main thoroughfares. Now that the congestion in the vicinity of Storrs Square and Norfolk Square is being relieved, the next most urgent needs should be attended to. We feel that these are on Hancock Street between Thayer Avenue and Plain Street, and Washington Street at the Braintree Highlands bridge. In both these places the street is so narrow as to be seriously dangerous, and at the bridge the added hazard of the S curve makes it one of the most deadly spots in this part of the state.

There are many other needs, such as the widening and straightening of Liberty Street and Common Street which are not so urgent but should be kept in mind as projects for the near future.

We are glad that the Town has carried out the recommendations of former reports regarding the widening of the corner of Central Avenue and Tremont

Street. This action has not increased visibility there, but it has given more room for vehicles to avoid each other, and so made the crossing safer.

We also feel that the Town is to be congratulated on the acquirement of the piece of vacant land lying between Tremont Street and the rear of the Common, thus giving easy access to the Common from the west and additional playground space for which future generations will be very grateful.

We wish that a part of the French estate across Washington Street from the Town Hall could be acquired as a future site for a public building. We have not had time this year to study this situation in detail, but we feel that it is a matter which should be given serious consideration.

Another civic development which we have in mind for immediate study is near the East Braintree Station, on the south side of Commercial Street opposite Allen Street. Here is land which is too wet and too much below the grade of the street to be very valuable for building purposes, but which would make a beautiful park. A railroad station is one of the most important gateways to a community but it frequently happens that its surroundings give anything but a pleasing first impression to the arriving stranger. Here is an opportunity to make the principal entrance to East Braintree very attractive indeed. We hope to report definite plans on this proposal in the near future.

Another project which deserves attention is a park around Morrison's Pond, off Elm Street. Here is another location where the land is so far below the street grade and of such shape that it does not readily lend itself to residential development, but would make an admirable park and playground with very little

more expenditure than that required for the purchase of the land.

We recommend that the Town acquire this year the vacant lot adjoining on the north the land now owned by the Town at the corner of Washington and Pond Streets. This small addition would be a great asset to our future park and public landing site, as it affords a much better view of the Blue Hills and the sunset than the property owned at present, and the increased shore frontage will be very useful for recreation. This year seems to be the logical time to secure this land, before its value is increased by the new circumferential highway, and before it is built upon.

It is hardly necessary for us to express our gratification that the circumferential highway is planned to come through Braintree. It will be a great benefit to our citizens, as well as to the public at large.

The fact that it will enter the town near the shores of Great Pond relates it to another matter which is of great importance to us all, namely our water supply. As we remarked in our last report, there is considerable popular dissatisfaction with our water supply. We are not able to say whether or not this is justified, but in any case the fact remains true; and we do assert our belief that this suspicion will never be fully allayed until the land surrounding the pond is owned by the public, as is the water-shed of most reservoirs in thickly-settled regions. If the land is to be bought the sooner it is done the better, because when the new highway is built the property will undoubtedly increase greatly in value. Since the people of Randolph and Holbrook also receive their water supply from this source, and since part of the pond is in Randolph, it would seem proper to act in conjunction with these towns if they will co-operate. It is possible that the

Blue Hills Reservation might be extended to include this district. We recommend that a committee, composed of two members each from the Board of Selectmen, Water Board, Board of Health, and Planning Board respectively, be formed to consider this matter and report at the next Annual Town Meeting.

The need of a modern sewer system becomes more and more imperative as the population of Braintree increases with its present rapidity. It is evident that the citizens are now generally aware that action is incumbent upon them in the immediate future. Foreseeing the likelihood of an extensive program of street resurfacing, we feel that, in the interest of economy, sewer as well as all other needed pipes and conduits should be installed in advance of this resurfacing, insofar as is possible.

“Poems are made by fools like me
But only God can make a tree.”

Poetry seems out of place in a committee report yet these lines carry to us a timely warning that our trees, especially where they adorn our highways should be preserved to the greatest possible extent. Already during the past year, particularly on Washington and Hancock Streets, many have been cut down and there have been no plantings to replace them. In some instances removal has been apparently unavoidable, yet their loss may be and should be compensated for by the planting of others at the earliest possible moment. That section of Washington Street between Hollis Avenue and Storrs Square, now modern in width, should so far as practicable be provided with trees. Business districts need not be bare of trees and a careful selection of species and sites would yield satisfaction, pleasure and pride to all citizens. Let us

strive to preserve the natural attractions of Braintree throughout its sections of industry, business and homes. The Tree Warden has a splendid opportunity to serve the Town in this matter.

We wish to thank all the officials, citizens and organizations who have so kindly co-operated with our work this year. We desire to pay a special tribute of thanks to those members of the Boy Scouts who worked so devotedly in helping us to notify the citizens regarding the local zoning meetings. Sometimes this was done in bitter cold weather that would have tested to the utmost the civic spirit of any adult.

Respectfully submitted,

THERON I. CAIN, Chairman,
MERTON A. TURNER, Secretary,
ARTHUR G. CHAPMAN,
MARK HENNEBURY,
WALLACE W. WILSON,
Members of the Planning Board.

REPORT OF BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS, BRAINTREE, MASS.

Parks and Recreation

The season of 1926 was one of the best ever held, at all of the playgrounds in town. This being the first year that the project has been under the supervision of the town. Previous a group of women had charge of the various playgrounds known as supervised play. They having installed a number of playground apparatus at all of the parks. These were presented to the town to be used under the supervision of the Park Board. A special appropriation was made at the annual town meeting, and the work carried out at the playgrounds by special instructors with a supervisor in charge. At all of the playgrounds there were large attendance of children.

The average attendance at the various parks were	
French's Common, South Braintree	500
Hollis playground, Braintree	300
Watson plagrouynd, East Braintree	400

The work carried on at these every day were on a schedule. There were games, sewing and folk dances. At the close of the season there was a display of the work done at the various playgrounds on French's Common and those that had the pleasure to attend were much surprised at the wrok done by the girls from each part of the town. Prizes were donated by local merchants and were awarded for the best work. It is the intention of the Park Commissioners to make the season of 1927 a banner year for the children of the town.

All of the various playgrounds have been kept in excellent condition during the season. All were well patronized. Various sports were conducted all Summer and well into the Fall.

French's Common, South Braintree.

The grounds have been mowed each week. The grove was raked and cleaned each week after the childrens play. Two horse shoe boxes were installed. The band stand wired for electric lights. A tennis court was lined out on the playing field and was played continually. In the upper field a new court has been installed and will be ready for play early in the Summer. Sand boxes and playground apparatus were in constant use all the season. One of the best improvements for years was the purchasing of the Leatherbee lot. This opens up a new entrance from Tremont Street, for nearly 400 residents of that district. French's Common now extends from Washington St. right through to Tremont St. New Bleachers have been erected on the playing field. A large piece has been taken from Washington Street and the arch way moved to the centre of the park entrance. Several decayed trees were removed, and the upper part of the grove plowed and levelled.

Hollingsworth Park, South Braintree.

This park has been raked and mowed and put in fine condition for various kind of sports.

Hollis Playground, Braintree.

There has been a lot of filling and grading in Hollis Field this year. The Hollis Field Association has spent \$1,800.00, grading the upper part of the field. It now needs to be loamed and seeded, to complete it.

The Park Department has turned over to the Board of Health, the lower part of the field, to be used as a dumping place for ashes and other good material. The grounds have been mowed and kept clean, sand boxes filled, and extra space set apart for the small children. There was a good attendance of children during the summer months, under the Organized Playground Supervision.

East Braintree Water Front Playground

This playground, the only one on the Salt Water front owned by the town was kept in excellent condition all season. A new base ball back stop 20x60 ft. was installed. The playing field mowed and raked each week. The tennis court resurfaced and each end put in shape for coming season. Where there was continued play all the season, Playground apparatus was kept in repair. Sand boxes filled and great interest was shown by the parents of this district relative to the playground movement. The large building on the property has been kept in excellent condition. A skating rink was installed by the board of Park Commissioners, and was much enjoyed by the younger folks of this section of the town.

The Small Playground on Commercial St.

Was kept in fairly good shape and games were played here all the season. This grounds being rather small for base ball it was used mostly by children.

Signed

LAWRENCE A. TRAINOR, Chairman,
JOHN N. ROGERS, Treasurer,
ALBERT F. HOLLIS, Secretary,
Board of Park Commissioners.

REPORT OF PARK AND RECREATION TRESAURER

Town Appropriation	\$1,130.00
Hollis Fund	500.00
	\$1,830.00

Expenditures

Labor	\$1,106.91
Equipment	493.10
Loan and Sand	10.50
Removing Trees	15.00
Moths	30.00
Insurance - Refreshment Booth ..	20.63
Miscellaneous	21.13
	\$1,097.27
Unexpended Balance	\$ 132.33

Organized Play

Town Appropriation	\$ 800.00
Expenditures:	
Supervisor	\$ 250.00
Assistants	400.75
Equipment	76.33
	737.08
Unexpended Balance	\$ 62.92

JOHN N. RODGERS, Treasurer.

Report of the Accounting Officer of the Town of Braintree

January 1, 1926 to December 31, 1926.

GENERAL REVENUE

RECEIPTS

Taxes

Previous years:

Poll, personal and real estate	\$134,142.82
---	--------------

Current year:

Poll, personal and real estate	421,143.99
---	------------

Tax Titles:

Redemption Tax Titles	\$137.53
Intervening Taxes	131.10

268.63

From the State:

Corporation	29,589.61
Street Railway . . .	993.55
Bank	899.78
Income	57,148.93
Soldier's Exemption	97.44
Schools, Smith-	
Hughes Fund ..	337.96
Trust Company ..	301.78

Charles River Loan
Sinking Fund ..

2,937.54

\$647,862.03

Licenses and Permits

\$748.00

Fines:

Court

\$875.90

Library

237.12

\$1,113.02

Grants and Gifts

From County:

Dog Licenses

\$1,032.19

Land Damages

Wash. St, Pr. 2

7,464.70

Police Expense ...

56.69

\$8,553.58

General Government

Collector:

Tax Information . \$52.00

Interest on deposits 179.04

Advertising defer-

red taxes, 1925 254.00

\$485.04

Town Hall Rent

\$1,077.00

Selectmen:

Advertising hear-

ings \$167.00

Hollis House-curb-	
ing	5.00
Rebate Insurance .	118.80
Allowance Car (So-	
cial Worker) . .	50.00

\$340.80

Assessors:

Telephone	1.80
---------------------	------

\$1,904.64

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department:

Telephone	\$5.90
Miscellaneous	24.00

\$29.90

Inspection:

Sealing of Weights	
and Measures . .	\$220.20
Building Inspection	1,600.00

1,820.20

• Fire Department:

Allowance Car . . .	\$300.00
False Alarms	31.67

\$ 331.67

\$2,131.77

Health Department

Tuberculosis	\$738.56	
Miscellaneous	23.00	
	<hr/>	\$761.56

Highways

Quincy Ave. Bridge ..	\$92.50	
Allowance Car (highways)	250.00	
Highways (Private work)	1,108.64	
	<hr/>	\$1,451.14

Charities and Soldiers' Benefits

Almshouse:		
Sale of Produce ..	\$164.05	
All other—Junk ..	52.50	
	<hr/>	\$216.55

Reimbursements: Poor		
From Individuals	\$147.13	
From Cities and Towns	1,724.55	
From State	948.59	
	<hr/>	\$2,820.27

Reimbursements: "118"		
From cities and towns	\$497.00	
From State	4,823.12	
	<hr/>	\$5,320.12

Soldiers' Benefits:

State Aid and
Soldiers' Burials

\$1,176.00

\$9,532.94

Education

Tuition

\$3,162.76

Miscellaneous

338.56

\$,3501.32

Recreation

Parks and Play-
grounds (Hollis
Will)

\$500.00

Miscellaneous

9.93

\$509.93

Unclassified

All other—Electric

Light Construction

\$10,000.00

Interest

1,400.00

\$11,400.00

Enterprises and Cemeteries

Water Dept.

\$82,548.57

Electric Light Dept.

233,332.76

Cemeteries

145.00

\$316,026.33

Interest**Deposits:**

General	\$3,957.94	
Taxes	5,634.06	
Water	1,266.48	
Electric Light	156.35	
Overlay Reserve ...	3.69	
		<hr/>
		\$11,018.52

Municipal Indebtedness

Temporary Loans ..	\$240,000.00	
Premium	5.15	
Loans Authorized:		
High and Grade		
Schools	335,800.00	
Premium	2,048.38	
Water Dept.-Stand-		
pipe	50,000.00	
Premium	215.00	
Penniman School		
Addition	96,000.00	
Premium	412.80	
		<hr/>
		\$724,481.33

Refunds

Highways	\$374.60
Miscellaneous	25.94
Charities	5.00
State Aid	6.00
Library	40.00

Fire Department -	
Extra Pay	6.75
Hall-Police Room . .	4.22
	<hr/>
	\$462.51
	<hr/>
Total Receipts	\$1,741,508.62

TRANSFERS

Parks and Playgrounds	\$30.00
Taxes, 1925	285.12
Transferred from Reserve Fund to:	
Collection of Gar-	
bage	\$300.00
Care of Dumps . . .	300.00
Contagious Dis-	
eases	400.00
Expense Treasurer	120.00
Expense Collector	250.00
Home	658.90
Poor	1,000.00
Employees Com-	
pensation	120.72
Expense - Police . .	678.20
Schools - Boilers . .	470.00
Highways - Center	
Street	425.00
Highways - Long's	
Block	250.00
Highways - Norfolk	
Square	500.00
Soldier's Relief . . .	349.50
Military Aid	40.00
	<hr/>
	\$5,862.32

Balance, January 1, 1926:

General Cash	\$78,694.04	
Water Department	28,982.21	
Electric Light Department	2,059.49	
	<hr/>	\$109,735.74
		<hr/>
		\$1,857,421.80

Expenditures

General Government

Legislative:

Salary Moderator	\$25.00
------------------	---------

Executive

Selectmen:

Salaries	\$1,650.00
----------------	------------

Clerk	300.00
-------------	--------

\$1,950.00

Other Expenses:

Stationary and postage	\$58.00
---------------------------------	---------

Supplies, printing and advertising	479.17
---------------------------------------	--------

Telephone	146.63
-----------------	--------

All other	16.20
-----------------	-------

\$700.00

\$2,650.00

Financial

Auditors:

Salaries	\$225.00
----------------	----------

Accountant:

Salary	\$1,800.00
--------------	------------

Stationery and supplies	99.84
----------------------------------	-------

\$1,899.84

Treasurer:

Salary	\$1,500.00
Clerk	210.00
Postage, supplies, printing a n d advertising	182.55
Expenses	41.00
Bond	132.00
Miscellaneous	5.92

\$2,071.47

Collector:

Salary	\$1,000.00
Clerk	950.00
Clerical work	21.40
Supplies a n d postage	489.20
Printing and ad- vertising	312.82
Bond	330.00
Tax Sale Ex- penses	366.48
Telephone	62.77
Miscellaneous	15.85

\$3,548.52

Assessors:

Salaries	\$2,400.00
Clerk	300.00
Clerical help	360.00

\$3,060.00

Other expenses:

Supplies and post- age	\$82.48
Printing and ad- vertising	11.75
Auto hire	4800
Abstracts of Deeds, Probates and Plans	398.14
Preparing descrip- tions-Tax Sales	150.00
Telephone	88.44
Miscellaneous . . .	10.40
	<hr/>
	\$789.21

\$11,594.04

Other General Departments

Law:

Salary	Town	
Counsel		\$630.00
Town Clerk	\$800.00	
Assistant	792.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,592.00

Other expenses:

Recording fees . . .	\$537.50
Supplies and post- age	72.37
Printing and ad- vertising	17.50
Bond	4.00
Telephone	48.80

All other	14.46
Equipment	30.95

\$761.58

\$2,353.58

Election and Registration:

Salary, Registrars	\$300.00
Election Officers .	\$952.00
Janitors	40.00

\$992.00

Other expenses:

Supplies, printing and advertising .	\$821.50
Auto hire	80.99
Meals	395.70
All other	82.44

\$1,380.63

\$2,672.63

Town Hall:

Janitor Service . .	\$900.00
Assistant Janitor .	1,261.00

\$2,161.00

Other expenses:

Fuel	\$563.85
Gas and light . . .	666.99
Janitor's supplies .	117.64
Repairs	288.68
Water and ice . . .	119.10

188

Miscellaneous . . .	11.58
Water	56.63

\$1,824.47

Extraordinary repairs: Police Room

Repairs - Hall . . .	\$50.00
Furnishings	404.14

\$454.14

Town Hall Grounds - Grading:

Contract	\$2,667.65
Miscellaneous . . .	40.86

\$2,708.51

\$7,148.12

Total for General Government \$27,073.37

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department

Salaries and wages:

Chief	\$2,500.00
Patrolmen	15,567.34
Special officers . .	98.00
Chief of Police -	
Pension	625.00

\$18,790.34

Equipment and repairs

Gasolene, oil and	
grease	\$434.12
Repairs - autos . . .	243.83
Tires and tubes . .	31.20

\$709.15

Other expenses:

Insurance	\$12.80
Telephone	409.48
Printing and post- age	10.85
Care of prisoners and use of lock-up	56.80
Storage - auto . . .	72.00
Enforcement of liq- uor laws	798.50
Equipment for Men	83.68
Expenses - officers	91.95
Medical aid	39.00
Streets - Painting	19.75
All other	119.12

\$1,713.93

Equipment	\$2,431.00
Garage - Rear Town Hall	\$2,500.00

\$26,144.42

Fire Department

Salaries and wages:

Chief	\$2,500.00
Permanent men . .	15,798.00
Deputy Chiefs (2)	150.00
Captains (3)	30.00
Call men	1,409.99
Forest Fire War- dens (3)	75.00

\$19,962.99

Qualey's truck and man		1,734.00
Extra Pay of fireman		1,380.00
Superintendent of Fire Alarm		225.00
Equipment and repairs:		
Apparatus	999.34	
Equipment - Mis- cellaneous	905.29	
Equipment for men	555.50	
Gasolene, oil and grease	437.92	
Tires and tubes ..	\$236.50	
Hose	1,225.00	
Emergency Pung .	100.00	
		<hr/>
		\$4,459.55
Hydrant Service ...		\$500.00
Fuel		507.40
Light		111.08
Buildings and grounds:		
Repairs	\$210.22	
Furnishings	147.36	
Water	30.00	
		<hr/>
		\$387.58
Other expenses:		
Supplies	236.54	
Telephone	174.09	
Stationery, printing and postage ...	52.45	
Express, cartage .	19.85	
Insurance	168.94	
Medical Aid	25.00	
Miscellaneous ...	41.10	
		<hr/>
		\$717.97

Equipment - Auto . . . \$1,568.00

Fire Alarm Maintenance:

Construction and

repairs \$1,318.32

Labor 540.88

Power 58.32

Miscellaneous 57.48

\$1,975.00

Fire Alarm Boxes:

Boxes \$1,335.40

Construction 627.05

\$1,962.45

\$35,491.02

Inspection—Buildings

Inspector, Salary . . . \$1,000.00

Printing \$28.00

Transportation 252.00

\$280.00

\$1,280.00

Weights and Measures

Salary \$500.00

Other expenses:

Advertising and

supplies \$43.50

Insurance 15.20

Transportation . . . 115.52

Repairs auto 72.48

\$246.70

\$746.70

Forestry**Gypsy Moth:**

Labor	\$2,737.37
Autos	2,171.37
Insecticides	276.76
Repairing sprayer	307.03
Gasolene and oil	176.31
Hardware & tools	310.32
All other	10.50

\$5,989.39

Care and planting of trees:

Labor	\$870.70
Trucks and teams	116.83
Hardware & tools	12.47

\$1,000.00

\$6,989.39

Total for Protection
of Persons and
Property

\$70,651.53

Health**General Administration:**

Salaries	\$600.00
Secretary	100.00
Supplies, Printing and advertising	55.74
Telephone	100.19

\$855.93

Fumigation

\$223.35

Collection of Garbage

5,000.00

Care of Dumps	714.40
Inspection of Plumbing	1,012.94

Quarantine and Contagious Diseases:

Drugs and medicine	\$60.00
Hospitals	882.00
Loss of Wages ...	105.00
Medical aid	13.00

\$1,060.00

Tuberculosis:

Board and treatment	\$2,751.50
---------------------------	------------

Vital Statistics:

Return of Births ..	\$75.75
Return of Deaths .	5.00

\$80.75

Other expenses:

Burying animals	\$.34
-----------------------	-------

Inspection:

Animals	\$125.00
Meat, provisions .	350.00
Milk	100.00

\$575.00

Norfolk County Hospital

\$4,179.97

Dental Clinic:

Dentist, Services .	\$630.00
Asst. to Dentist ..	135.50

\$765.50

Tuberculosis Clinic:

Visits and Clerical
help

\$118.75

Sanitation

Drain, Franklin Sttreet:

Labor \$159.50

Materials 714.69

 \$874.19

Drain, Elm Street

Contract \$763.00

Material 727.00

 \$1,490.00

Drain, River Street:

Contract \$581.00

Material 254.26

 \$835.26

Drain, R. R. Crossing, Pr. 2:

oContract \$379.60

Material 150.00

 \$529.60

Total for Health and

Sanitation

 \$21,071.48
Highways

General Administration. Salaries:

Higway Surveyors \$150.00

Superintendent of
Streets 3,000.00

Clerk	300.00
Telephone	54.31
All other	43.23

\$3,547.54

Repairs

General:

Labor	\$7,439.76
Teams and trucks	1,273.75
Materials	11,983.53
Equipment and re-	
pairs	5,070.71
Light and power .	241.93

\$26,009.68

Street Cleaning:

Labor	\$1,214.49
Autos	225.28

\$1,439.77

Tarvia:

Labor	\$4,395.58
Trucks	692.16
Materials	13,032.41

\$18,120.15

Resurfacing:

Labor	\$168.00
Trucks	1,928.28
Materials	1,045.51

\$3,141.79

Reshaping:

Labor	\$148.42
-------------	----------

Bridges:

Union Street	\$497.77
--------------------	----------

Adams Street	121.44
--------------------	--------

Pearl Street	550.00
--------------------	--------

\$1,169.21

Drains and Catch Basins:

Labor	\$673.50
-------------	----------

Materials	669.57
-----------------	--------

\$1,343.07

Guard Rails and Fences:

Labor	\$70.15
-------------	---------

Stock	74.00
-------------	-------

\$144.15

Miscellaneous	98.00
---------------------	-------

Insurance	1,017.94
-----------------	----------

New Equipment

Tractor Snow Plow	\$5,800.00
-------------------	------------

Auto - Supt.	919.66
-------------------	--------

Mixer	843.00
-------------	--------

Kettle	950.00
--------------	--------

\$8,512.66

Repairs, Commercial Street:

Labor	\$3,800.99
-------------	------------

Hauling	584.50
---------------	--------

Materials	12,012.43
-----------------	-----------

\$16,397.92

Repairs, Pond Street:

Labor	\$1,508.01
Hauling	398.75
Stock	4,039.91

\$5,946.67

Repairs, Smith Street:

Labor	\$127.93
Hauling	60.00
Materials	507.47

\$695.40

Repairs, Washington Street, Pr. 1:

Labor	\$1,745.06
Contract - Drains	262.50
Materials	2,248.62

\$4,256.18

Repairs - Washington Street, Pr. 2:

(Bridge to Common Street)

Labor	\$685.69
Hauling	28.00
Materials	650.00

\$1,363.69

Hollis Avenue to River Street:

Labor	\$2,160.57
Hauling	376.00
Materials	10,384.93

\$12,921.50

River Street to Storrs Square:

Labor	\$3,047.82
-------	------------

Hauling	494.50
Materials	1,675.45
Contract (Edge-	
stone	376.80

\$5,594.57

Storrs Square:

Labor	\$1,187.31
Hauling	147.50
Materials	241.52

\$1,576.33

Repairs, Somerville Avenue:

Labor	\$441.72
Hauling	12.75
Materials	435.13

\$889.60

Repairs, Center Street:

Labor	\$446.92
Teams and trucks	53.00
Materials	925.08

\$1,425.00

Repairs, Norfolk Square:

Contract	\$500.00
----------	----------

Highways (Private Work):

Labor	\$313.25
Miscellaneous	744.62

\$1,057.87

Widening, Tremont Street and Central Avenue:

Contract	\$468.75
Materials	79.34

\$548.09

Widening, Elm & Adams Street:

Labor	\$1,679.71
Hauling	234.15
Materials	1,081.62

\$2,995.48

Widening, Union Street:

Labor	\$1,391.78
Hauling	170.73
Materials	4,142.95

\$5,705.46

Sidewalks (1925) : Pr. 1.

Contract	\$171.47
--------------------	----------

Sidewalks, Franklin Street:

Labor	\$124.18
Hauling	87.50
Materials	130.00
Miscellaneous	158.00

\$499.68

Sidewalks (Cement) :

Contract, Pr. 1. . .	\$2,500.00
Contract, Pr. 2. . .	2,481.00
Contract, Pr. 3. . .	2,447.25

\$7,428.25

Removal of Snow:

Labor	16,704.79
Teams & Trucks ..	5,008.00
Repairs on equip ment	3,003.27
Materials	1,049.43
Miscellaneous	289.58

 \$26,055.07

Street Lighting 9,225.00

 \$166,398.07

Total for Highways \$169,945.61

Charities

Overseers of the Poor:

Salaries \$600.00

Expenses:

Clerk	\$284.00
Printing and Post- age	33.33

 \$317.33
Salary Visitor and Maintenance
of Auto:

Salary	\$1,404.00
Storage for Car ..	90.00
Gasolene, oil, etc.	69.51
Auto	621.50
Repairs	30.40
Transportation ...	26.25
Miscellaneous ...	24.82
Registration	20.00

 \$2,286.48

Outside Relief by Town:

Cash aid	\$4,317.50
Groceries	791.28
Fuel	361.87
Medicine and medical aid	368.00
Rent	455.22
Miscellaneous	408.85
Hospitals & State Institutions	1,376.99

\$8,079.71

Relief by other Cities
and Towns

924.70

Mother's Aid:

Cash aid	\$5,785.00
Rent	773.50
Medicine and medical aid	117.00
Fuel	369.88
Groceries	407.10
Clothing	42.05
Miscellaneous	51.48
Hospitals	104.20

\$7,650.21

Relief by other Cities
and Towns

\$1,268.43

Braintree Home:

Salary of Supt.	\$960.00
Other employees	848.00
Groceries and provisions	2,008.90
Clothing	455.35

Fuel, light & gas	836.85
Hay and grain ..	533.33
Medicine and medical aid	138.19
Buildings, repairs, etc.	579.35
Telephone	59.92
Miscellaneous ...	269.54

\$6,689.43

\$27,816.29

Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid:

Aid, Civil War ..	\$960.00
Soldiers' Burials ..	117.00

\$1,077.00

Soldiers' Relief:

Cash aid	\$809.50
Rent	102.00
Fuel	20.50
Medical Aid	3.00

\$935.00

Military Aid:

Cash Aid	\$77.00
Fuel	15.25

\$92.25

\$2,104.25

Total for Charities
and Soldiers'
Benefits

\$29,920.54

EDUCATION

General Expenses

Salary of Supt. . . . \$4,160.16
Clerk 1,158.60
Attendance Officer . 495.00
Printing, stationery
and postage 148.17
Telephone 602.85
Traveling expenses 128.53
Miscellaneous 432.40

\$7,125.71

Instructional Expenses

Teachers' Salaries \$152,770.50
Text Books and Supplies:
High \$4,437.70
Elementary 7,273.21

\$164,481.41

Operating Expenses

Janitors' Services:
High \$1,528.00
Elementary 8,432.61
Fuel and Light:
High and Elemen-
tary 7,133.99

Miscellaneous:

High and Elemen-

tary\$4,036.06

\$21,130.66

Maintenance**Repairs:**

High and Elemen-

tary

\$13,371.37

Auxiliary

Physician\$1,350.00

Nurse 1,425.00

Transportation 7,678.08

Tuition 1,905.47

Graduation exercises 160.55

Noon services
(Teachers) 516.50

Furniture and furnishings 872.72

Outlay 1,189.75

All other 914.46

\$16,012.53**Continuation School**

Salary Supt. \$39.97

Teacher's Salaries .. 3,542.04

Clerk 11.40

Attendance Officer . 5.00

Janitor's Services ... 203.95

All other 625.04

\$4,427.40

Smith-Hughes Fund:
Salaries (Continuation Fund

337.96

Torrey School Addition

Contractors:

General	\$18,451.70
Heating & Ventilation	9,935.00
Electrical Work	2,186.23
Plumbing	1,667.00
Painting	2,334.40
Hardware	1,066.90
Architects	5,435.53
Insurance	161.20
Miscellaneous	758.92
Advertising	10.50
Furnishings & Equipment	6,309.14

\$48,316.52

High School

Architect \$10,050.80

Contractors:

General	133,492.43
Heating and Ventilation	19,069.25
Electrical Work	4,000.00
Plumbing	7,480.00
Grading	3,883.65
Plans & Specifications	

tions	275.00	
Insurance	5,741.30	
Installing W a t e r		
Pipes	215.65	
Miscellaneous	68.49	
		<hr/>
		\$184,276.57

Penniman School Addition

Advertising P r o -		
posals	\$12.50	
Architect	2,500.00	
Contractor General	11,741.90	
		<hr/>
		\$14,254.40
		<hr/>
Total for Education		\$473,734.53

Library

Janitor — Salary ..		\$300.00
Librarian	\$1,440.00	
Assistants	952.00	
Other labor	222.46	
Supplies	75.62	
Books and Periodi-		
cals	982.78	
Transportation books	21.00	
Fuel and Light	474.10	
Insurance	272.00	
Telephone	37.20	
Water	8.45	
Miscellaneous	44.08	
		<hr/>
		\$4,529.69

Library Repairs

Repairs Roof	\$695.00
Repairs Steps	315.00
	<hr/>
	\$1,010.00

Total for Library ..	\$5,839.69
----------------------	------------

Recreation**Parks and Playgrounds:**

Equipment	\$493.10
Labor	606.91
Material	10.50
Removing Tree	
(Precinct 1.) ..	15.00
Insurance	20.63
Miscellaneous	21.13
	<hr/>

\$1,167.27

Hollis Playground—(Hollis Will)

Labor	\$454.89
Miscellaneous	45.11
	<hr/>

\$500.00

Organized Play

Supervisor	\$260.00
Assistants	400.75
Miscellaneous	76.33
	<hr/>

\$737.08

Total for Recreation	\$2,404.35
----------------------	------------

Unclassified

Legislative:

Finance Committee:

Reports	\$255.51
Advertising ..	18.25
Notes — Annual	
Meeting	126.19

 \$399.95

Planning Board \$30.00

 Penniman School
 Committee \$30.50

Town Reports:

Printing \$1,314.72

Financial:

Typewriter	\$69.25
Care and supplies for Adding Ma-	
chine	68.17
Ink	5.02

 \$142.44

Selectmen:

Supplies	\$19.95
Witness Fee	
(Spear)	5.00
Recording	5.08
Report - Garland	
Case	172.79
Insurance - Social	
Worker	46.00
All other	37.15

 \$285.97

Highways:

Relocations - Peti-		
tions	\$12.64	
Auto - Supt. (Bal.)	53.24	
Board of Survey		
(printing)	8.50	
Repairs Quincy Ave.		
Bridge	382.85	
Land Damage		
Adams Street	3.00	
		\$460.23

Treasurer:

Certification of	
- notes	\$28.00

Assessors:

Poll Books	\$270.00
Abstract Deeds . .	59.20
All other	18.40

\$347.60

Police Department:

Ambulance	\$87.00
Police Room	53.89

\$140.89

Patrolling Sunset

Lake	336.00
Health - Culvert . . .	90.00
Cemetery - Graves . . .	60.00
Damages to Persons	
and Property	100.00

\$3,766.30

Pilgrim Monument . . .	\$30.00
Engineering Dept. . .	2,431.70
Insurance, Public	
Buildings	2,930.90
Memorial Day:	
Post 87, G. A. R. . .	\$200.00
American Legion . .	100.00
Veterans Foreign	
Wars	100.00
	<hr/>
	\$400.00
Compensation Law . .	\$2,320.72
Repairs to Legion	
Building	496.75
Land, French's Com-	
mon (Leatherbee)	1,000.00
Land school purposes	500.00
Quincy Ave. Bridge	2,700.00
Land Damages,	
Washington Street:	
Precinct 1	\$3,351.00
Precinct 2	8,204.95
	<hr/>
	\$11,555.95
Land Damages,	
Adams Street	\$1,555.75
Signs and Signals:	
Signs	\$1,019.38
Freight	7.94
Setting & Re-	
setting	237.00
	<hr/>
	\$1,264.32

Signs and Signals:

Flashlights and parts	213.34
Repairs Flashlights	154.70

Cemetery - Plain Street:

Superintendent . . .	\$500.00
Labor	1,071.99
Loam, sand & cement	66.90
Equipment	65.57
Wall	126.94
Tarvia	158.60

\$1,990.00

Zoning Committee

Services Zoning Plans	\$737.26
Prints	35.54
Printing	26.45

\$799.25

\$30,443.38

Total for Unclassified

\$34,209.68

Interest:

Electric Light Construction	\$1,400.00
Schools	9,998.75
Town Hall	520.00
Tuberculosis Hosp.	450.00
Anticipation of Revenue	5,082.03

\$17,450.78

Municipal Indebtedness:

Electric Light Construction	\$10,000.00	
Schools	19,500.00	
Town Hall	2,000.00	
Tuberculosis Hosp.	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$32,500.00
Anticipation of Revenue		\$240,000.00
Water Department		139,218.91
Electric Light Department		229,733.60
Metropolitan Park Assessment	\$14,368.64	
State Assessment	30,240.00	
County Tax	25,219.11	
State Highway Tax	6,141.00	
Municipal Lighting Plant	42.56	
Metropolitan Planning Division	266.04	
Trust Company Tax	8.85	
Bridge-Western Ave. & Arsenal St.	150.26	
Bridge-Western Ave.	241.65	
Bridge-Mass. Ave.	2,098.35	
	<hr/>	\$78,776.46
Total Payments		\$1,572,530.53

Transfers

Taxes, 1925	\$285.12
Moth	30.00

Transferred from Reserve Fund to:

Collection of Gar-	
bage	\$300.00
Care of Dumps . . .	300.00
Contagious Disease . .	400.00
Expense Treasurer .	120.00
Expense Collector . .	250.00
Home	658.90
Poor	1,000.00
Employees' Compens-	
sation	120.72
Expense Police	678.20
Schools - Boilers . . .	470.00
Highways-Center St.	425.00
Hgihighways - Long's	
Block	250.00
Highways - Norfolk	
Square	500.00
Soldiers' Relief	349.50
Military Aid	40.00
	<hr/>
	\$5,862.32
	<hr/>
	\$1,578,707.97

Balance, January 1, 1927:

General Cash	\$249,320.48
Water Department	23,578.35
Electric Light De-	
partment	5,815.00
	<hr/>
	\$278,713.83
	<hr/>
	\$1,857,421.80

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1926

ASSETS

Cash, General	\$249,320.48
Cash, Electric Light	5,815.00
Cash, Water Department	23,578.35
Cash, Specials	23,293.13

\$302,006.96

Taxes:

Levy, 1926	\$190,447.71
Levy, 1925	1,054.26

\$191,501.97

Tax Titles

\$3,032.23

Civilian War Polls

\$1,302.00

Accounts Receivable:

Individual	\$1,046.79
------------------	------------

Electric Light Department:

\$7,214.40

Water Department:

\$10,632.89

LIABILITIES

Overlay, 1926	\$7,660.09
Overlay, 1925	2,367.61

\$20,027.70

Trust Fund Income:

School Fund	\$1,039.11
French Fund	70.35
Penniman Fund	29.66

\$1,139.12

214

Tax Title Revenue

\$3,032.23

Reserve Fund: Overlay

\$6,320.21

Electric Depreciation Fund ..

\$22,154.01

Electric Light Dept.: Light ..

3.67

Electric Light Dept.: Misl. ..

1,427.76

Electric Light Dept.: Revenue ..

5,782.97

Electric Light Dept.: Balance ..

5,815.00

Water Dept.: Rates

3,535.34

Water Dept.: Services

7,097.55

Water Dept.: Balance

23,578.35

Excess and Deficiency

64,338.70

Special Appropriations:

Premium on Loans	\$4,433.58
------------------------	------------

West Street	10,000.00
-------------------	-----------

Adams Street	3,800.00
--------------------	----------

Commercial Street	6,557.08
-------------------------	----------

Washington St., Precinct 1 . . .	13,652.82
Harrison & Cleveland Avenues	2,163.00
Sidewalk, Franklin Street . . .	1,142.85
Land Damages - Wash. St. . .	854.05
New High School	218,135.90
Penniman School Addition . . .	86,369.60
Land, School & other purposes	4,475.00
Committee on Zoning	900.75

\$352,484.63

\$516,737.24

\$516,737.24

TRUST FUNDS

Braintree School Fund	\$8,893.15
C. E. French Fund	2,419.50
N. H. Hunt Fund	24,276.99
A. M. Penniman Fund	500.00
A. C. Hanson Fund	331.02

\$36,420.66

\$36,420.66

\$36,420.66

INDEBTEDNESS

Town Hall	\$12,000.00
School	653,800.00
Hospital	9,000.00
Electric Light Construction . .	30,000.00
Water Dept., Mains & St'dpipe	50,000.00

\$754,800.00

\$754,800.00

\$754,800.00

Cash and Securities

Net Bonded Debt

PROPERTY ACCOUNT

Real Estate	\$461,927.74	Town Property	\$1,060,223.66
Personal Property	68,177.74		
Water Works	366,707.64		
Electric Light Plant	163,411.22		
	<hr/>		<hr/>
	\$1,060,223.66		\$1,060,223.66

RECAPITULATION

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Appropriation or Balance	Transfers or Refunds	Overdraft	Account	Balance	Balance
\$ 25.00			Moderator	\$ 25.00	
1,650.00			Selectmen, salaries	1,650.00	
1,000.00			Selectmen, expenses	1,000.00	
1,900.00			Accounting Department	1,899.84	\$.16
225.00			Auditors, salaries	225.00	
1,500.00			Treasurer, salary	1,500.00	
500.00			Treasurer, expenses	571.47	
1,000.00	\$ 120.00		Tax Collector, salary	1,000.00	48.53
2,485.00	268.00		Tax Collector, expenses	2,556.52	
2,400.00			Assessors, salaries	2,400.00	186.48
1,450.00	40.00		Assessors, expenses	1,489.21	
900.00			Law	630.00	.79
2,490.00			Town Clerk's Dept.	2,353.58	270.00
2,700.00			Election and Registration	2,672.63	136.42
900.00			Town Hall Janitor	900.00	27.37
1,261.00			Town Hall Asst. Janitor	1,261.00	
2,000.00			Town Hall Maintenance	1,824.47	
1,254.80	4.22		Town Hall Police Room	454.14	175.53
3,000.00			Town Hall Grading Grounds	2,708.51	804.88
					291.49

217

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

19,067.00			Police, salaries	18,067.34	999.66
1,745.50	678.20		Police, expenses	2,423.08	.62
155.00			Police, special	98.00	57.00
2,431.00			Police, equipment	2,431.00	
625.00			Pension—Chief of Police	625.00	

2,500.00	Garage—Rear Town Hall	2,500.00	192.00
18,490.00	Firemen, salaries	18,318.00	70.01
1,735.00	Firemen, pay of men	1,664.99	326.75
1,700.00	Firemen, extra pay of men	1,380.00	2.62
6,686.20	General expenses	6,683.58	175.00
175.00	Land—Engine House Precinct 3		
1,568.00	Equipment—Chief's Car	1,568.00	
1,734.00	Qualey's truck and man	1,734.00	
2,200.00	Fire Alarm—Repairs and Renewals	2,200.00	
1,966.16	Fire Alarm Boxes	1,962.45	3.71
750.00	Weights and Measures	746.70	3.30
6,000.00	Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	5,989.39	10.61
1,000.00	Care and Planting Trees	1,000.00	
1,280.00	Building Inspection	1,280.00	

218

HEALTH AND SANITATION

700.00	Health, salaries	700.00	
4,800.00	Collection of Garbage	5,000.00	100.00
800.00	Expenses, Care of Dumps, etc.	1,098.02	1.98
3,500.00	Contagious Diseases	3,811.50	88.50
1,012.94	Inspection of Plumbing	1,012.94	
125.00	Inspection of Animals	125.00	
100.00	Inspection of Milk	100.00	
350.00	Inspection of Meats & Provisions	350.00	
109.25	Vital Statistics	80.75	28.50
800.00	Dental Clinic	765.50	34.50
200.00	Tuberculosis Clinic	118.75	81.25
4,179.97	Norfolk County Hospital	4,179.97	
1,490.00	Elm Street Drain	1,490.00	
850.00	River Street Drain	835.26	14.74
1,250.00	Franklin Street Drain	874.19	375.81
540.00	R. R. Crossing Drain, Precinct 2	529.60	10.40

HIGHWAYS

150.00	Surveyors, salaries	150.00	2.46
3,000.00	Salary, Supt. of Streets	3,000.00	942.13
400.00	Expenses	397.54	50.82
2,000.00	Highways—Private Work	1,057.87	7.00
52,058.40	Repairs	52,632.18	
8,519.66	New Equipment	8,512.66	
2,995.48	Elm and Adams Streets	2,995.48	
10,000.00	West Street.		
3,800.00	Adams Street		
5,718.39	Union Street	5,705.46	
22,955.00	Commercial Street	16,397.92	
6,000.00	Pond Street	5,946.67	
697.20	Smith Street	695.40	
17,909.00	Washington Street, Precinct 1	4,256.18	
1,386.00	Wash. St., (Capen's Bridge to Common)	1,363.69	
12,921.50	Wash. St., (Hollis Ave. to River)	12,921.50	
5,601.00	Wash. St., (River St. to Storr's Square)	5,594.57	
1,577.00	Wash. St., (Storr's Square)	1,576.33	
2,163.00	Harrison & Cleveland Avenues		6.43
2,700.00	Quincy Avenue Bridge		.67
500.00	Norfolk Square	2,700.00	2,163.00
889.60	Somerville Avenue	500.00	
1,000.00	Center Street	889.60	
1,642.53	Sidewalks - Franklin Street	1,425.00	
7,500.00	Sidewalks (\$2,500 each Precinct)	499.68	
171.47	Sidewalks, Precinct 1	7,428.25	
810.00	Widening Tremont St. & Central Ave.	171.47	
90.00	Land Damage Trem't St. & Cent'l Ave.	548.09	
20,000.00	Snow		261.91
9,225.00	Street Lighting	26,055.07	90.00
		9,225.00	

50.00	Land Damage - May Avenue	50.00
12,410.00	Damages - Washington St.	854.05
1,555.75	Damages - Union & Adams Sts.	11,555.95
		1,555.75

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

600.00	Salaries, Overseers	600.00
2,376.85	Salary Visitor, and Maintenance of Auto	2,286.48
350.00	Expenses, Clerk	327.33
8,000.00	Poor	9,004.41
9,000.00	"118"	8,918.64
6,200.00	Home	6,689.43
1,175.00	State Aid & Soldiers' Burials	1,077.00
100.00	Military Aid	92.25
600.00	Soldiers' Relief	935.00
		90.37
		32.67
		.59
		81.36
		169.47
		104.00
		47.75
		14.50

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARY

157,572.50	Salaries	\$156,512.54	1,259.96
72,727.20	General Expenses	70,236.54	2,960.66
100,624.00	Penniman School Addition	14,254.40	86,369.60
450,728.99	New Schoolhouses	232,660.47	218,135.90
337.96	Smith - Hughes Fund	337.96	
4,500.00	Library - General Expenses	4,529.69	10.31
300.00	Library - Salary of Janitor	300.00	
1,500.00	Library - Repairs	1,010.00	490.00
4,800.00	Land - School & Other Purposes	500.00	4,300.00

RECREATION

1,330.00	Parks and Playgrounds	1,197.27	132.73
800.00	Organized Play	737.08	62.92
500.00	Hollis Playground (Hollis Will)	500.00	
1,000.00	Land - Leatherbee	1,000.00	

UNCLASSIFIED

6,000.00	Reserve Fund	5,862.32	137.68
219.75	Signs & Signals (Bal.)	213.34	6.41
1,438.70	Street Signs & Signals	1,264.32	174.38
250.00	Repairs Flashlights	154.70	95.30
2,700.00	Engineering	2,431.70	268.30
3,952.98	Insurance - Town Buildings	2,930.90	1,022.08
1,700.00	Committee on Zoning	799.25	900.75
500.00	Repairs - Legion Building	496.75	3.25
130.00	Pilgrom Monument	130.00	
4,220.00	Miscellaneous	3,766.30	479.64
400.00	Memorial Day	400.00	
2,200.00	Employees' Compensation	2,320.73	
1,490.00	Cemetery	1,490.00	
500.00	Cemetery - Salary Supt.	500.00	
15,968.75	Interest	17,450.78	61.05
22,500.00	Debt	32,500.00	1,757.40
<u>\$1,228,944.48</u>			<u>221</u>
	Appropriation - Balance or Loan		
	Transfers or Refunds		
	Payments	<u>\$891,049.26</u>	
	Balances		\$363,430.98
	Overdrafts		
	<u>\$6,055.07</u>		
	Total		<u>\$1,254,480.24</u>
			<u>\$1,254,480.24</u>

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Honorable Board of Selectmen, Braintree, Mass.

Gentlemen: In compliance with your request, I submit the following report of the Department of Sealer of Weights and Measures, for the year ending December 31, 1926.

I have tried most earnestly during the year just past to perform the duties of the office in an impartial and fair manner, and therefore be just to all parties concerned. I have found our merchants most courteous and willing to comply with the laws in relation to the sealing of weights and measures and inspections.

I sincerely recommend that the town purchase a set of scales to be known as municipal scales to be located in some convenient place, so that the weighing of coal and other commodities in transit would be in accordance to law, and that all orders of coal by the municipality be subject to reweighing on said scales.

Appropriation	\$750.00
Expense and Salary	746.50

Balance	4.50
---------------	------

Received and paid to Treasurer:

Sealing fees	\$182.20
Junk Licenses	250.00
Hawkers and Pedlers Licenses .	40.00
State License	- 38.00

\$510.20

Inside and Outside Work.	Fees Charged
Scales tested and found correct.....	267
Scales tested and condemned	4
Scales tested and adjusted	18

Weights tested and found correct . .	419
Weights tested and condemned	4
Liquid measures tested and found correct	461
Liquid measures tested and con- demned	15
Linear measures tested and found correct	24
Measuring pumps found correct . . .	154
Measuring pumps not sealed	39
Measuring pumps condemned	1
Leather measuring machine not sealed	1
Slot weighing machines sealed	10
Slot weighing machines tagged for repairs	1

**Number of Inspections made from December 15, 1925
to December 15, 1926.**

Coal re-weighing while in transit . .	8
Coal re-weighing in bags of less than 100 lbs.	367
Inspection of stores after scales tested of commodities	334
Inspection of scales used by pedlers	9
Inspection of scales used by ic men	14
Inspection of jars on milk wagons . . .	300
Inspection of junk dealers scales . . .	9
Inspection of coal team for cerificates	16
Milk jars, Mass. Seal	41,000
New law enacted with regard to tank wagons, which necessitates the weighing of same. Amount of fees collected for same	\$ 30.00

Examined and approved January 19th, 1927.

HERBERT A. CURTIS,
RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
Auditors, 1926.

In Conclusion.

I have tried to make this department a truly public service department, and have earnestly endeavored to extend its influences in the closest manner possible to the people, thereby affording them every opportunity to protect themselves against insufficient weight and measure.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. HANNAFORD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Health

OF THE

TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



Printed by

THE BRAINTREE OBSERVER

PRATT & PRATT, Publishers

1927

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board is pleased to announce that it has been able to establish two public dumps, one at the corner of Cleveland Ave. and Union St. and the other at Hollis Field, Braintree.

This was made possible by the fine public spirit of the owner, Mr. James Brown and the co-operation of the Hollis School Associates.

The Board is trying to obtain one or two suitable places for public dumps in East Braintree. At the present time the Stetson St. dump is being used by a large number of residents of Precinct 3.

The Board strongly urges all citizens to use the public dumps as the money available for cleaning up rubbish is limited and a much more economical use can be made of the appropriation if this plan is carried out.

Sewerage

The Town has grown very fast, and cesspools in some parts of the town are practically useless. The Board feels that the only remedy for the obsolete cesspool is the sewerage system.

Collection of Garbage

The collection of garbage by the present contractor has been the subject of few complaints and the Board believes is satisfactory to most of our citizens.

DANGEROUS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

1926

	February	January	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Scarlet Fever	6	4	13	14	19	18	5	2	1	3	9	15	109
Whooping Cough .	2	3	6	4			5				2	10	32
Mumps	2			1	4	2				1			10
Chicken Pox	6	1	3		2	3				6	16	14	51
Pulmonary T. B. . .	3	2	1	1	1	1					1		10
Measles		11	14	8	8	22				2			65
German Measles . .		5	21	10	16	3	1						26
Influenza			14	1									15
Gonorrhea				2							1		3
Diphtheria						1							1
Lobar Pneumonia ..						1							1
Typhoid Fever ...								1					1
T. B. other forms										1			1
Ophthalmia Peona-													
torum							1						1
Sum Total . . .													356

Braintree, January 1, 1927.

To the Braintree Board of Health:

Gentlemen: I have the honor of submitting to you the annual report of the dangerous and communicable diseases reported to the Board for the year ending December 31, 1926. I have issued 21 Licenses during the year at one dollar each, and one at two dollars, the same was turned over to the Town, and a

receipt taken therefor. Above is found a schedule of the cases reported.

Yours truly,

MARGARET PIERSON,

Secretay.

REPORT OF INSPECTORS OF PLUMBING

To the Honorable Board of Health of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit our report for year ending December 31, 1926.

There has been issued from this office 309 permits to install plumbing together with 3 left over from 1925, of this number 310 have passed inspection and 2 remains left over for 1927.

There has been installed in old and new buildings the following fixtures: (315) sinks, (259) laundry trays, (389) closets, (334) lavatories, (277) bathtubs, (3) shower baths, (2) floor drains, (10) drinking fountains, (22) urinals, (1) fish sink, (1) soda fountain, (6) slop sinks, (2) dish washing machines, (1) refrigerator, making a total of 1,622 fixtures, the value of which was \$143,475.00

The number of old and new buildings in which plumbing was installed are as follows: (233) new 1 family houses, (6) new two family houses, (31) old 1 family houses, (8) old two family houses, (1) gas station, (1) new school, (1) old school, (13) new stores, (4) old stores, (1) new restaurants, (1) new theatre, (3) old four family houses, (3) new offices,

(1) old three family house, (1) old hospital, (1) new service station, (1) bowling alley, (4) barber shops.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. LUDDEN,

Inspector of Plumbing.

W. B. SKINNER,

Deputy Inspector.

REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

To the Braintree Board of Health:

Gentlemen: The report of the milk inspector of the Town of Braintree is as follows:

Permits issued:

Dealers of milk and cream . .	17
Dealers of milk and oleo	8
Dealers of oleo	1
Producers	10
<hr/>	
Total	36

There are five small herds of three to five cows that have not applied for permits.

The total number of quarts sold daily are 3,717.

Only a small percentage of the milk produced in the town is pasturized, while most of that which is procured from other sources is pasturized.

The milk supply of Braintree is very satisfactory, there having been no complaints, or prosecutions throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. RECORD, M. D.,

Milk Inspector.

GENERAL EXPENSES

Salaries and Secretary	\$700.00	
Stationery and postage	23.35	
Printing and advertising	32.50	
Telephone	100.19	
Fumigation	223.35	
Care of Dumps	714.40	
Miscellaneous	4.34	
<hr/>		
Total		\$1,098.02
Vital Statistics	\$80.75	
Inspection of Plumbing	1,012.94	
Collection of Garbage	5,000.00	
Inspector of Animals	125.00	
Inspector of Meats & Provisions	350.00	
Inspector of Milk	100.00	
Contagious Diseases	3,811.50	
Dental Clinic	765.50	
Tuberculosis Clinic	118.75	
Norfolk County Hospital	4,179.97	
<hr/>		
Total		\$10,484.21

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH G. BAILEY, Chairman.

PERCY RICHARDS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Overseers
of the Poor:

I herewith submit the following report for the
year ending December 31, 1926:

Number of families referred	136
Persons involved	326
Calls made	1225

Divided as follows:

Overseers of Poor

Applications made	92
Families aided	65
Persons involved	211
Having Braintree settlements	40
Settlements in other Cities and Towns	11
No known settlement	8
Having Braintree settlement but residing in other places	2
Application made bu aid rendered from other sources	28
Now aided	22
Call made	703

Mothers Aid

Applications made and aided	15
Persons involved	86
Having Braintree settlement	9
Having settlement elsewhere	1
No wnown settlement	2
Having Braintree settlement but residing in other places	3
Cases closed	2
Now aiding	13
Call made	442

Board of Health

Persons referred	14
Having Braintree settlement	11
Having settlement elsewhere	2
Having no known settlement	2
Now being aided	6
Calls made	34

Military Aid

Persons referred	15
Having Braintree settlement	14
Having settlement elsewhere	1
Now aiding	4
Calls made	66

With assistance from the Friendly Aid Association, other organizations and individuals, we have supplemented to a marked degree the aid rendered from the Overseer's Department.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. CAREY,
Agent.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS OF THE TOWN OF BRAINTREE

Braintree, Mass., January 31, 1927.

To the Board of Selectmen, of the Town of Braintree.

Gentlemen: I beg to submit herewith the report of the Inspector of Buildings for the year 1926:

Number of permits issued 406
made up as follows:

Houese	244
Garages	111
Schools	2
Alterations	37
Stores	9
Churches	1
Moving buildings	2
	406

The estimated cost of the work for which the above permits were issued was\$1,920,900.00

I received and deposited with the Town Treasurer the sum of \$1,600, received for permits during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CRAIG,
Building Inspector.

Assessors' Report

APPROPRIATIONS AT ANNUAL MEETING

Legislative

Moderator	\$25.00
-----------------	---------

Executive

Selectmen's salaries	\$1,650.00
----------------------------	------------

Selectmen's expenses	1,000.00
----------------------------	----------

\$2,650.00

Financial

Accountant, salary and ex- penses	\$1,900.00
--	------------

Auditor's salaries	225.00
--------------------------	--------

Treasurer, salary and ex- penses	2,000.00
---	----------

Tax Collector, salary, plus fees	1,300.00
---	----------

Tax Collector, clerk and expenses	2,485.00
--	----------

Assessors, salaries and ex- penses	3,850.00
---	----------

\$11,760.00

Other General Departments

Town Clerk, salary and		
expenses	\$2,490.00	
(plus fees, estimated) . . .	500.00	
Law	900.00	
Election and Registration . .	2,700.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$6,590.00

Town Hall

Maintenance and Janitors'		
salaries	\$4,161.00	
Repairs and Furnishings -		
Police Room	1,254.80	
Grading Grounds	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$8,415.80

Police Department

Police salaries	\$19,067.00	
General expenses	1,745.50	
Special officers	155.00	
Equipment - Combination		
Patrol and Ambulance . .	2,431.00	
Police - Pension Chief	625.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$24,023.50

Fire Department

Salary Chief and Permanent		
Men	\$18,490.00	
Pay of Firemen	1,735.00	
Extra Pay of Firemen	1,700.00	
General Expenses	6,686.20	

Qualey's truck and expenses	1,734.00
Equipment Chief's Car	1,568.00
Fire Alarm Maintenance . .	2,200.00
Fire Alarm Boxes	1,966.16
Land near Engine House .	175.00

\$36,254.36

Inspection

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Salary and expenses \$750.00

Building Inspector:

Salary and expenses \$1,280.00

Forestry

Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	\$6,000.00
Care of Trees	1,000.00

\$7,000.00

Health

Salaries	\$700.00
Expenses, Fumigation, Care of Dumps	800.00
Collection of Garbage	4,800.00
Contagious Diseases	1,500.00
Milk Inspection	100.00
Plumbing Inspection	1,012.94
Inspector, Meats and Pro- visions	350.00
Inspector Animals	125.00
Tuberculosis Clinic	200.00

Dental Clinic	800.00
Vital Statistics	109.25
Norfolk County Hospital . .	4,179.97

\$14,677.16

Highways

Salaries, Highway Surveyors	\$150.00
Salary, Superintendent of Streets	3,000.00
Clerk and expenses	400.00
General repairs	51,050.00
Insurance on Equipment . . .	1,008.40
Private work	2,000.00
Snow Removal	20,000.00
Sidewalks	7,500.00
Adams Street	3,800.00
Commercial Street	22,955.00
Franklin Street, Drainage . .	1,250.00
Sidewalks, Pr. 1	171.47
Repairs Flashlights	250.00
New Equipment	8,519.66
Street Lighting	9,225.00
Pond Street	6,000.00
Smith Street	697.20
Washington Street (Bridge to Common Street)	1,386.00
Washington Street (Hollis Avenue to River Street)	12,921.50
Washington Street (River to Storrs Square)	5,601.00
Washington Street (Storrs Square)	1,577.00
Washington Street (Com- mon to Thayer Place . . .	17,909.00
Center Street	1,000.00

Harrison Avenue and Cleve-	
land Avenue	2,163.00
Elm Street, Drain	1,490.00
Drain, Precinct 2	540.00
Drain, River Street	850.00
Somerville Avenue	889.60

\$184,303.83.

Charities

Salaries, Overseers of the	
Poor	\$600.00
Salary Visitor and expenses .	2,376.85
Clerk and expenses	350.00
Outside Relief	8,000.00
"118"—Mothers' Aid	9,000.00
Maintenance, Bra'tree Home	6,200.00

\$26,526.85

Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid and Soldiers'	
Burials	\$1,175.00
Soldiers' Relief	600.00
Military Aid	100.00

\$1,875.00

Education

Teachers' Salaries	\$157,572.50
General expenses, including	
repairs to buildings	72,727.50
High School Building	40,000.00

Penniman School Addition .	49,624.00
Loan for School and other purposes	4,800.00

\$324,723.70

Library

General expenses (plus fees, estimated)	\$4,500.00
Salary Janitor	300.00
Repairs to Roof	1,500.00

\$6,300.00

Recreation

Memorial Day, Post No. 87, G. A. R.	200.00
Memorial Day, Post No. 86, Parks and Playgrounds	\$1,330.00
Organized Play	800.00

\$2,130.00

Unclassified

Miscellaneous	\$4,220.00
A. L.	100.00
Memorial Day, Lennon-Mur- ray Post, V. F. W.	100.00
Employees' Compensation .	2,200.00
Insurance, Town Buildings .	3,952.98
Engineering Department . .	2,700.00
Signs and Signals	1,438.70
Repairs, Legion Building . .	500.00
Reserve Fund	6,000.00
Widening Tremont Street	

and Central Avenue	900.00
Land Highway Purposes -	
May Avenue	50.00
Pilgrim Monument	130.00
Garage - Rear Town Hall ..	2,500.00
Zoning Committee	1,700.00
Land Damages - Washing-	
ton Street	12,410.00

\$39,101.68

Public Service Enterprises

Electric Light Department:

Salaries	\$300.00
Depreciation Fund	11,613.55
Unexpended balance, 1925	2,059.49
Bonds and Interest (Loan)	11,400.00

\$25,373.04

Water Department:

Salaries	\$300.00
Land, Standpipe, Mains,	
etc.	70,000.00

\$70,300.00

Cemetery

Plain Street	\$1,490.00
Salary - Supt.	500.00

\$1,990.00

Interest

Interest on Bonds, Notes, Loans in anticipation of Revenue	\$15,968.75
--	-------------

Municipal Indebtedness

Payment of Bonds and Notes	\$22,500.00
<hr/>	
Total appropriations at An- nual Town Meeting	\$834,518.67

Less amounts appropriated, but not raised by taxation:

Electric Light Department . \$25,373.04

Water Department 70,300.00

Excess and Deficiency:

Sidewalks Pr. 1 \$171.47

Hollis Ave., Highways . . 12,921.50

Wash. Street, (French's
Common 17,909.00

Cemetery 1,490.00

Collector - fees \$300.00

Town Clerk - fees 500.00

Military Aid (one half) . . 50.00

State Aid 1,175.00

Loans:

High School \$35,800.00

Penniman School Addition 45,000.00

\$210,990.01

Town Appropriations \$623,528.66

State Taxes:

State Tax	30,240.00	
State Highway Tax	6,141.00	
Metropolitan Parks Tax	12,680.21	
Charles River Basin Tax	1,688.43	
Bridge Repairs (Across Charles River Basin)	2,098.35	
Bridge Construction (Wes- tern Ave. & Arsenal St.	150.26	
Bridge Construction (Wes- tern Avenue)	241.65	
Municipal Lighting Plant	42.56	
Division Metropolitan Plan- ning	266.04	
		<hr/>
		\$53,548.50
County Tax		\$25,219.11
Overlay (current year)		\$21,532.60
		<hr/>
		\$723,828.87
Estimated Revenue		\$110,609.33
		<hr/>
Net amount raised by taxa- tion on polls and property Moth		\$613,219.54
		\$1,042.25
		<hr/>
		\$614,261.79
Additional Polls and Omit- ted Taxes committed Dec. 1926		\$1,202.42
		<hr/>
		\$615,464.21

\$613,219.54 to be raised by taxation on 3614
Polls and a valuation of \$18,475,352.00 makes the rate
per \$1,000.00 valuation \$32.80.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Citizens of Braintree:

The Trustees of Thayer Public Library submit herewith their report for the year 1926.

Extensive repairs have been made to the roof and exterior of the Library Building so that the building now appears to be in sound condition.

During the year, 870 new books were acquired and placed in circulation. This is an increase of 81 over the previous year but the available funds are not yet sufficient to adequately supply the reading public with the books which they desire.

An account of the expenditure of the appropriations made by the Town for the support of the Library will be found in the report of the Town Accounting Officer.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. AVERY, Chairman,
JOHN W. HARDING, Sec. & Treas.
HERBERT C. KNEELAND,
AMY C. MANNING,
STACY B. SOUTHWORTH,
Trustees.

THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1926

Number of Books in Library	20,195.
Number of Books added 1926	870
Total number of borrowers	5,008
Borrowers in East Braintree	1,250

Total Number of Books circulated in 1926 . .	38,123
Number of Books circulated in East Braintree	7,104
Largest daily circulation, April 3, 1926	320
Average circulation	129 plus
Per Cent of Fiction circulated	67 plus
Total number of Days	294

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF
THAYER PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR THE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1926.**

RECEIPTS

Cash on deposit, January 1, 1926	\$913.31	
Income from Foundation Fund, year 1926	500.55	
Income from Caleb Stetson Fund, year 1926	126.25	
Income from Rachael R. Thayer Fund, year 1926	7.74	
Interest on bank balances	17.25	
	<hr/>	\$1,565.10

EXPENDITURES

Rent, safe deposit box	\$10.00	
Treasurer's Surety Bond	25.00	
Water	3.00	
Light	30.00	
Telephone	26.35	
Wages	30.00	
Insurance	11.50	
Transporting Books	24.00	
Printing and Supplies	23.35	
Librarians Expenses	17.82	
Cash on Deposit, Dec. 31, 1926	1,364.08	
	<hr/>	\$1,565.10

as at December 31, 1926

Principal Account:

\$10,000.00

Principal Account:

\$2,500.00

Principal Account:

\$172.50

We have examined the account of John W. Harding, Treasurer of the Trustees of Thayer Public Library and find it correct, bills and receipts properly

vouchered. Balance of \$1,364.08 in State Street Trust Co., December 31, 1926. Also examined assets and income of the Foundation Fund, Caleb Stetson Fund and Rachael R. Thayer Fund, which we find correct.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Jan. 12, 1927.

Auditors.

NATHANIEL H. HUNT
LEGACY INCOME FUND
JOHN W. HARDING, Treasurer.

INCOME

Cash on deposit, Jan. 1, 1926 . .	\$644.25	
Income received for year 1926 . .	1,097.38	
		<hr/> \$1,741.63

EXPENDITURES

Books & Papers	\$1,092.24	
Cash on deposit, Dec. 31, 1926 .	649.39	
		<hr/> \$1,741.63

We have examined the account of John W. Harding, Treasurer, showing income and receipts of Nathaniel H. Hunt Legacy Income Account and find it correct and properly vouchered. Balance on hand, December 31, 1926 at State Street Trust Co., Boston, \$649.39.

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,

Jan. 14, 1926.

Auditors.

Highway Department Report

To the Honorable Board of Highway Surveyors of the Town of Braintree:

Gentlemen: I herewith submit my report of the work done by the Highway Department during the year 1926.

GENERAL

Appropriations	\$52,058.40
Reserve Fund	250.00
Refunds	374.60
	<hr/>
	\$52,683.00
Expended	\$52,632.18
	<hr/>
Unexpended Balance	\$50.82

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR GENERAL REPAIRS TO HIGHWAYS

Maintenance	\$5,989.00	\$3,928.28	\$5,212.51	\$15,120.70
Superintendent				\$3,000.00
	Labor	Hauling	Stock	Total
Street Cleaning	1,214.49	225.28		1,439.77
Operating Quincy Ave. Bridge	205.00	80.00		285.00
Drains and Catch Basins	673.50		669.57	1,347.07
Tarvia, Sanding & Applying	4,395.58	692.16	13,032.41	18,120.15
Reshaping	148.42			148.42
Resurfacing	6,147.86	1,273.75	6,413.07	13,834.68
Insurance				1,017.94
Guard Rails and Fences	74.00		70.15	144.15

BRIDGE REPAIRS

Union Street	497.77
Adams Street	121.44
Pearl Street	550.00
	<hr/>
Total	\$52,632.18
Snow Plowing, Etc.	
Street Lighting	\$9,225.00
Appropriations	\$52,058.00
Reserve Fund	250.00

	Labor	Hauling	Contract	Stock	Totals
UNION STREET					
App.	\$1,391.78	\$170.73		\$4,142.95	\$5,705.46
Expended ..					
Balance ..					
ELM & ADAMS STREETS					
Bal. 1924 ...	\$1,679.71	\$234.15		\$1,081.62	\$2,995.48
Expended ..					
Balance					
COMMERCIAL STREET					
App.	\$3,800.99	\$584.50		\$12,012.43	\$16,397.92
Expended ...					
Balance					

	Labor	Hauling	Contract	Stock	Totals
POND STREET					
App.	\$1,508.01	\$398.75		\$4,039.91	\$5,946.67
Expended . . .					
Balance					
SHITH STREET					
App.	\$129.73	\$60.00		\$65.00	\$254.73
Expended . . .					
Balance					
WASHINGTON STREET (Pr. 1)					
App.	\$2,007.56			\$2,248.62	\$4,256.18
Expended . . .					
Balance					

	Labor	Hauling	Contract	Stock	Totals
<hr/>					
WASHINGTON STREET (Capen's Bridge to Common St.)					
App.	\$1,386.00				
Expended ...	1,363.69	\$28.00		\$650.00	\$1,363.59
	<hr/>				
Balance	\$22.31				
<hr/>					
WASHINGTON STREET (Hollis Ave. to River St.)					
App.	\$12,921.50				
Expended ...	12,921.50	\$376.00		\$10,384.93	\$12,821.50
	<hr/>				
Balance					
<hr/>					
WASHINGTON STREET (River St. to Storrs Sq.)					
App.	\$5,601.00				
Expended ...	5,594.57	\$494.50	\$376.80	\$1,675.45	\$5,594.57
	<hr/>				
Balance	\$6.43				

STORRS SQUARE

App. \$1,577.00
 Expended . . . 1,576.33
 Balance67

SOMERVILLE AVE.

App. \$889.60
 Expended . . . 889.60

Balance

CENTER STREET

App. \$1,000.00
 Res. Fund . . . 425.00

Expended . . . \$1,425.00

Balance

\$1,187.31 \$147.50 \$241.52 \$1,576.33

\$441.72 \$12.75 \$435.13 \$889.60

\$446.92 \$53.00 \$925.08 \$1,425.00

	Labor	Hauling	Contract	Stock	Totals
WIDENING TREMONT ST. & CENTRAL AVE.					
App.	\$810.00		\$468.75	\$79.34	\$548.09
Expended ...	548.09				
Balance	\$261.91				
FRANKLIN STREET - Sidewalks					
	\$124.18	\$87.50		\$130.00	\$499.68
Bal. 1926 ...	\$1,642.53			\$158.00	255
Expended ...	499.68				
Balance	\$1,142.85				
Sidewalks - Pr. 1, (Bal. 1925)					
Balance	\$171.47			\$171.47	\$171.47
Expended ...	171.47				
Balance					

	Labor	Hauling	Contract	Stock	Totals
HIGHWAYS (Private Work)	\$313.15			\$744.62	\$1,057.87
App.	\$2,000.00				
Expended ...	1,057.87				
Balance	\$942.13				
SIDEWALKS (\$2,500 each)					
			Pr. 1 \$2,500.00		\$7,428.25
			Pr. 2 2,481.00		256
			Pr. 3 2,447.25		
App.	\$7,500.00				
Expended ...	7,428.25				
Balance	\$71.75				
DRAINAGE (Franklin St.)				\$874.19	\$874.19
App.	\$1,250.00				
Expended ...	874.19				
Balance	\$375.81				

	Labor	Hauling	Contract	Stock	Totals
DRAINAGE (Elm St.),					
App.	\$1,490.00		\$763.00	\$727.00	\$1,490.00
Expended ...	1,490.00				
Balance					
DRAIN (Middle St. to River St., Monatiquot River)					
App.	\$850.00		\$581.00	\$254.26	\$835.26
Expended ...	835.26				
Balance	\$14.74				
DRAIN (R. R. Crossing)					
App.	\$540.00		\$379.60	\$150.00	\$529.60
Expended ...	529.60				
Balance	\$10.40				

	Labor	Hauling	Contract	Stock	Totals
NEW EQUIPMENT					
App.	\$8,519.66				\$5,800.00
Expense	8,512.66				919.66
					843.00
Balance	\$7.00				750.00
					\$8,312.66
ADAMS STREET	No expenditure	Appropriation			\$3,800.00
HARRISON AVE.	No expenditure	Appropriation			2,163.00
NORFOLK SQUARE				\$500.00	500.00

Equipment owned by the Town:

- 24 Acres of land, located on Union Street.
- Town Barns, Buildings, located on Union Street.
- 3 Dump Trucks (2 Whites) (1 Republic)
- 1 Dump Truck, Ton and Half International.
- 1 Cressy Spraying Outfit, complete.
- 1 Austin Bucket Loader.
- 1 Austin Cube Mixer.
- 1 Buffalo Steam Roller (18 tons)
- 1 Buffalo Steam Roller (7 tons)
- 1 Adams Grader.
- 1 Gasolene Pump.
- 1 New England Crusher, complete.
- 1 Spring Tooth Arrow.
- 1 Set Drain Pipe Cleaner.
- 1 Three-ton Falls.
- 1 Two-ton Falls.
- 1 Van Dorn Drill.
- 1 Erie Steam Shovel, Type A, complete with ditching bucket.
- 1 Portable blacksmith's forge.
- 1 Air Compressor, complete with jack hammer.
- 2 Air plug hammer drills.
- 1 Auto - Dodge (Supt.)
- Kettle.
- Tractor Snow Plow.
- Cement Mixer.
- 1 Fordson Tractor, with spare wheels.
- 3 Snow Plows (Trucks)
- 20 Sidewalk Snow Plows.

Loaned to the Town of Braintree Highway Department, by the State Highway Department—1 Dyer Hot mix plant, complete, conditions being that the Town returns same when called for by the State Department and kept in repair by the Town while in use here.

MAINTENANCE

Maintenance consists principally of patching the seal coating and water bound macadam, gravel, and dirt roads. This work is an absolute necessity, and owing to the increase travel in traffic through the Town, there is of course an expense goes with it, and should not be overlooked at the Annual Town Meetings.

DRAINAGE

The work of drains conveying surface water is on the increase every year owing to the new developments of land, in all three sections of the Town; this last year drains have been run on the following streets:

River Street—from Middle Street to Monatiquot River.

Elm Street.

R. R. Crossing to Monatiquot River.

Franklin Street—Azul Road to Sunset Lake.

GRANTING OF PERMITS

Following number of Permits have been issued to dig trenches in the Streets during the year:

230 Permits granted the Old Colony Gas Co.

15 Permits granted the N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.

Permits granted the Water Department.

Permits will not be granted to any company before March 1, 1927, owing to the danger of ditches caving in when the frost comes out of the ground.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1927

I recommend that the following appropriations be made for repairs to Highways and Bridges:

Repairs

General	\$ 1,400.00
Street Cleaning	2,000.00
Quincy Avenue Bridge	300.00
Tarvia, Sanding & Applying	16,000.00
Resurfacing	12,000.00
Drains & Catch Basins	2,000.00
Guard Rails & Fences	1,500.00
Sidewalk Construction (\$2,500.00 each Pr.)	7,500.00
Snow Plowing and Sanding	8,000.00
Street Lighting	11,376.00
Insurance	981.38

New Equipment

2 Trucks for replacement of Old Trucks.

1 Tractor and Snow Plow.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Precinct One:

Pond Street, from Glendale Road to Town Street.

Washington Street, from Central Avenue to Monati-
quot School.

Union Street, from Washington Street to Middle St.

Pond Street, from Cioppa Farm (Drainage) to river
bank.

Precinct Two:

Independence Avenue, from Capen's Bridge to Quincy
Line.

Washington Street, from Capen's Bridge to Elm Street.

Hollingsworth Avenue, from Turner's house to West St.

May Avenue, from Washington Street to Hollis Ave.

Morrison Road, from Adams Street (Drainage) to

400 LIN. ft. North-east.

Hollingsworth Avenue, from Turner' house to 500 LIN.
ft. West.

Cleveland Avenue, from Grossman Road to 1100 LIN.
ft. South.

Precinct Three:

Norfolk Square, Repairs.

Union Street, from Hillside Road to Middle Street.

Wellington Street, from Shaw Street to 350 ft. East.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED AUSTERBERRY,

Superintendent of Streets.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

School Department

OF THE

TOWN OF BRAINTREE

FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



Printed by

THE BRAINTREE OBSERVER

PRATT & PRATT, Publishers

1927

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. C. Frederick Tarbox, Chairman, 27 Willard Street, East Braintree.

Mrs. Alida N. Stevens, Recording Secretary, 75 Tremont Street, South Braintree.

Dr. Franklin H. Merriam, 1000 Washington Street, South Braintree.

*Mrs. Carrie F. Loring, 110 Front Street, East Braintree.

Mr. Ralph B. Woodsum, 45 Hollis Avenue, Braintree.

Mr. Henry D. Higgins, 490 Washington Street, Braintree.

Superintendent of Schools

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, 39 Oak Street, Braintree.
Office Telephone 0782.

Office Hours:

On school days from four to five p. m. except on Tuesday.

Secretary

Mrs. Emily Lawley, 45 Lemoyne Street, Braintree.

Office Hours

Eight to twelve, one to five, on days when schools are in session. Saturdays, nine to twelve.

Meetings of the School Committee

Second Monday evening of each month at eight o'clock in the Town House, Washington Street, South Braintree.

*Deceased.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

January 3, 1927.

To the Citizens of the Town of Braintree:

Your Committee in submitting its annual report will deal primarily with budget figures, with an explanation concerning the increases requested.

The educational features pertaining to the School Department have been quite fully covered in the report of the Superintendent and the several department heads, all of which reports have been accepted by the Committee and will act as a component part of this report.

Our schools continue to grow from year to year, and must of necessity result in increased expenditures. The Committee is endeavoring in every way possible to hold expenses within reasonable bounds without sacrificing the educational results which it feels that its citizens expect for their boys and girls.

The Committee faces next summer an extremely busy time. We will then be moving into the new High School preparatory to opening classes there in September. We might incidentally state that we expect to hold the High School graduation exercises in the new auditorium in June.

A certain amount of work is necessary in the Monatiquot School to prepare this building for grade school use in September.

The addition to the Penniman School will also be ready for School Department use in September, and the additional class rooms provided at this building

will be greatly appreciated not only by this Department, but by teachers and pupils as well.

In converting the Monatiquot School into a grade school building, the principal changes involved are converting the chemistry laboratory into a teacher's room and the installation of toilet facilities. Room 8-A converted into a nurse's room which will also necessitate toilet installations. The domestic science room made over into a kindergarten room with certain toilet facilities. The building needs about forty new window sashes, and entire building should be repainted inside. The State also requests that all class room doors be adjusted to swing out into the corridor rather than into the class room. These are the principal items, and the approximate figures covering what it will cost to make these changes will be submitted in time for the Finance Committee to consider.

At the Thomas A. Watson School something ought to be done this year to grade the grounds, as well as fencing the property on the Quincy Avenue side. The Committee has prepared plans and estimates covering the cost of doing such work.

At the Jonas Perkins School, it is the opinion of the Committee that this building borders on dangerous highways from a traffic stand-point, and should be fenced, and it has obtained a very attractive figure for doing this work.

At the Noah Torrey School the Committee is still of the opinion that to such unexpended balance as remains with the School Buildings Committee there should be added a sum sufficient to properly grade both buildings as one unit in accordance with a plan which was submitted last year.

FINAÑCIAL

Expenditure 1926	Budget 1927	Increase
\$ 7,175.10 General Control	\$ 7,720.00	\$ 544.90
156,650.50 Teachers' Sal's	175,070.00	18,419.50
12,255.60 Text Books and Supplies	12,000.00	No Increase
21,316.06 Operating	26,375.00	5,058.94
13,422.25 Maintenance	14,000.00	577.75
14,215.06 Auxiliary	16,850.00	2,634.94
1,852.47 Outlay	7,100.00	5,247.53
<hr/> \$226,887.04	<hr/> \$259,115.00	<hr/> \$ 32,483.56
22,604.60 Actual Credits	Deduct	255.60
<hr/> \$204,282.44 Net		<hr/> \$ \$32,227.96
	Estimated Credits	22,000.00
		<hr/> \$ 10,227.96

EXPLANATION OF INCREASE

General Control:

Under general control is classed department expenses. The increase shown covers certain increases in salaries, telephone, and other general expenses of the department.

Teacher's Salaries:

(Covers 6 principals, 18 high school teachers, 70 grade teachers, 2 continuation school teachers, 7 special teachers, making a total of 103 teachers on our staff at the present writing.)

Present Contract	\$165,050.00
1926 Expenditures	156,650.50

Present contracts excess over 1926 expenditures	\$ 8,399.50
---	-------------

Increase in personnel on account of new teachers for high school, including	
woman physical director, and increase in grade school personnel	6,840.00
Sick Leave	1,000.00
	<hr/>
	\$16,239.50

The item of \$8,399.50 is the remaining part of the basic appropriation made at the last annual Town Meeting covering a nominal increase in Teachers' Salaries as well as increase in the personnel of the department. The item of present salary increase is only a normal one to care for increase to certain teachers whose excellent services merit some financial consideration. No general salary increase is contemplated this year.

We might explain the item covering the increase in personnel as being due to the fact that in the new High School it will be necessary to add to our force four regular teachers. In the grade schools it will be necessary to provide for a principal together with three grade teachers at the Monatiquot School, and further we should provide for two first grade teachers to care for the situation in the Thomas A. Watson and Abraham Lincoln Schools. The figures indicate that the first grade classes in the above buildings next year will be of such size that it will be necessary to institute two first grades in each building. The Committee also feels it absolutely necessary to have at its disposal a woman physical director in connection with the High School and grade school work. The need of such a person is really indispensable, particularly in working with the girls in the gymnasium at the High School.

On account of the increased personnel of this department, expenditure for sick leave has been increased, as reported above, and as stated in our report of last year, this program covers an existing agreement between the Committee and its teachers, which was promulgated in 1922.

Text Books and Supplies:

The appropriation which has been set aside for this purpose has not materially changed in the last two years, and covers the cost of text books and other school room supplies for high and grade pupils as well as the teachers' supplies. In consideration of the size of our present school system the amount requested is not at all excessive, and with the instituting of the Monatiquot School as a grade school, as well as the opening of the new High School, it is to be expected that demands will come into the department for new text books and other supplies.

Operating:

Under the heading of operating there is classed all expenditures for janitors' salaries, expenditures for fuel, as well as janitors' supplies. The increase under this heading is explainable in that it will be necessary to provide for additional janitorial service at the new High School. The Committee has given this matter very careful thought, and based on the experience of other school departments, in properly caring for a high school such as the size of ours, it ought to have at its disposal not less than three, one to act as chief engineer, with two assistants. The department wishes to grant certain nominal increases to our present force. It feels that they have rendered very satisfactory service for nominal salaries, and should receive some financial consideration.

The question of fuel expense is one which at this writing the department cannot foretell to any degree of certainty, or just what prices will prevail at the time it contracts for its fuel, which it does in May of each year. We will need not less than 1,000 tons of soft coal, and 175 tons of hard coal to care for our buildings, and we have set aside a sum which we believe to be sufficient to enable us to contract for coal at advantageous prices in May.

Janitors' supplies will be increased due to the operation of the new High School and the establishing of another grade unit. Our principal items of expenditure under janitors' supplies are for light, water, toilet supplies, caring for cesspools, and other miscellaneous items.

Maintenance:

Under maintenance are chargeable all items such as repairs, painting, and general up-keep of the school property, including the salary and expenses of the department's repair man. The department feels that since it has had at its disposal a man to look after the many repairs in our schools it has certainly saved the Town many hundreds of dollars. His work merits financial consideration.

When one considers that the valuation of our buildings and equipment, not including the new High School, is estimated at not less than \$952,000.00, the amount requested for maintenance and up-keep is a conservative one, representing as it does approximately one and one-half per cent ($1\frac{1}{2}\%$).

Auxiliary:

Expenditures for health remain at a normal figure, the only material increase is in the salary for the nurse.

The situation as regards transportation is such that the department feels obliged to engage the service of another bus. We now have three, and they are over-crowded, and in the interests of safety alone we should have at our disposal one other bus. We are at present transporting 122 high school pupils and 152 grade school pupils, divided as follows: 29 from Granite Street beyond the Five Corners, and 123 from Liberty Street and the Highlands Section.

We are also transporting by trolley 17 high school pupils who come principally from the Braintree Highlands Section, a total of 291.

Expenditures for tuition may be best explained as covering tuition costs of pupils attending trade schools in Quincy and Boston, as well as continuation schools in Weymouth, Quincy, Boston, and Brockton, together with the Norfolk County Training School. Whatever moneys are expended for this purpose the State reimburses the Town fifty per cent.

High School miscellaneous expenditures cover the cost of high school clerk, graduation expenses, stationery and postage, as well as expenses for operating the cafeteria in the High School. The principal increase under this heading is occasioned by the fact that it will be necessary to provide for a director at the high school cafeteria with two assistants.

The grade school miscellaneous expenses cover such items as service at noon luncheons, expenses of graduation, as well as transportation costs for training teachers from the Bridgewater Normal School. We explain "service at noon luncheons" as follows: It is customary in our grade schools where pupils bring their luncheon they should be subject to some super-

vision and care, and teachers are designated to perform this work, for which they receive additional compensation.

Under outlay are chargeable any and all expenditures for new equipment of whatever type or character, but replacements are not included. There is an increase here with the explanation that in the new High School it will be necessary to purchase certain laboratory equipment, also additional typewriters for the Commercial Department, and further, in view of the fact that the department will have at its disposal a room set aside as the High School Library, it desires to equip this library with reference and other books which will be of inestimable value to both teachers and pupils.

The department also requests the reappropriation of the three thousand dollars voted at the last annual Town Meeting to furnish and equip the Penniman School. This equipment was not purchased this year as the building was not ready.

In closing its report the Committee wishes to extend its appreciation and thanks to its Superintendent and his able corps of principals and teachers for the conscientious work they are performing, and the department sincerely feels that their continued efforts cannot help but maintain our educational system on a high plane. To the citizens, we invite constructive criticism on any matters pertaining to your schools. We are your servants, endeavoring to do the best that can possibly be done with your liberal appropriations to give to your boy and girl that which is rightfully theirs from a public school standpoint. The regular meetings of the Committee come on the second Monday evening of every month, and you are most welcome if you have any problems which you would like to bring before it.

The Committee pauses as this report goes to press to take recognition of the fact that one of its members, Mrs. Carrie F. Loring, has been unable to be present at its meetings for the past several months on account of serious illness, and for that reason the report does not bear her signature. It is needless to state her presence has been missed at the Committee meetings where we received the counsel and advice of one whose experience in school affairs through a long term of years has been of inestimable value to this Department and the Town as well.

Respectfully submitted,

C. FREDERICK TARBOX,
ALIDA N. STEVENS,
FRANKLIN H. MERRIAM,
RALPH B. WOODSUM,
HENRY D. HIGGINS,

School Committee.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

January 3, 1927.

To the School Committee:

I herewith present the Superintendent of School's report for the year 1926 with the usual other reports in this department.

The policy of utilizing various standardized tests for purposes of determining individual abilities and accomplishments, and finding out specific weaknesses in order that these weaknesses may receive more particular attention and more extensive and intensive drill has been continued and is of undoubted value. The work of our special teachers continues to show its effect not only in improving the quality and quantity of work done by many children, but it is also gradually reducing the number of children needing this special attention.

The physical welfare and betterment of our public school children is year after year being given more and more attention, and there are many evidences of its effectiveness. Our school physicians assisted by the school nurse make the physical examinations of all school children, and now we have the advantages to be derived from the work of the physical director. Next year with the gymnasium and shower baths which will be in service in the new High School building, it will be possible to do most effective work and at a time in the growth and development of the youth in this community when such training is most needed, and when results are likely to be of inestimable value in the development of desirable physical, moral, and mental habits and capabilities. The work of our physical director who began his work in the schools this year,

has so soon given evidence of having satisfactory results, and suggests possibilities for the future which are most pleasing.

The development of our instrumental work in music has brought forth the greatest compliment from the public possible, namely, that of frequent calls for service by our High School Orchestra from local organizations, and when the same organization has called for service a second time, it is quite evident that satisfactory service was rendered. It is hoped that the High School Band recently organized may meet with the hearty favor, support and good-will of the Town, and find frequent opportunity for rendering satisfactory service in the community.

Our teachers have had during the year, a time allotment indicated for every subject given them, together with a list of those books in the various subjects in each grade which should be available for use, all of which tends to make more definite and exact the requirements to be met in the work of each subject in every grade. This material has been supplemented by brief outlines indicating ways and means of attaining the objects desired in some subjects, and as fast as possible material is being prepared in the other subjects so that ultimately a complete course of study will be in definite written form and in the hands of every teacher. It is not intended that this material shall be in great detail, but only general, sufficiently definite to lead to a greater degree of clearness in regard to "The What, When, and How" of our curriculum.

The opening of the Noah Torrey Primary Building in April required some readjustments and increase in the teaching force, which with the opening of schools in September was extended still further because of the necessity of continuing to use the three rooms in

the two portable buildings located on the school grounds. The increased corps of teachers had to be still further extended to prepare for the enlarged Peniman School. When this building is completed it should be much appreciated by teachers and pupils, for the conditions under which school work is being carried on there this year are most trying, and yet every one seems to be most philosophical and is "making the best of it".

Three years ago at this time the School Department entered the Thomas A. Watson School with 257 children, and today there are 356. This building is now somewhat more than well-filled, and next September it is certain to be seriously over-crowded. Some relief in the future might be secured by enlarging the Abraham Lincoln School, but right here we are likely to find the enlarged building needed in three or four years without any thought of the possibility of securing relief for the Thomas A. Watson School. I most sincerely and earnestly hope that the lesson is learned and that the Town may profit from now on by its own experiences as it may well do. If it were not for our new High School, and thus making available for grade use the Monatiquot School next September, a serious condition would still exist at the Noah Torrey School, but the relief thus afford should make the conditions quite satisfactory, but still rather too small for any considerable growth which is apt to come. There seems to be a little appreciation of the growth in our school membership. We closed school in June with a few under 2,500, and in September we had over 2,800 in our schools. The Town was ranked in population as the 58th largest community, including cities, in the State in the last returns of the State Department of Education, but the average membership in our schools was greater than two cities in the State, and greater

than four of the towns having a larger population, whereas but one town, Saugus, with a smaller population had a larger school membership. The problems in connection with the provision of adequate and suitable accommodations for school children is bound to continually be before you as a consequence of growing, and procrastination is bound to result in the accumulation of a demand to satisfy which will create a large financial burden. Something should be done every year to meet the demands made by growth. Braintree is no longer a small town. Of the 316 towns in this State there are but 18 with a larger population according to the census of 1925, and it is my opinion that several of those 18 would now find themselves with a population smaller than that of Braintree.

The School Committee has clearly stated and explained the financial expenditures and financial requirements for 1927, but a consideration of our relative standing in the State may be of interest and value. There are 355 school departments in the State divided in four groups: Group I, being cities; Group II, towns of over 5,000 population maintaining a high school, Group III, same sized towns not maintaining a high school; and Group IV, towns of less than 5,000 population. There are 39 cities in Group I, and Braintree is in Group II, which has 79 towns. Our per pupil costs for the school year of 1924-1925 was \$76.20, whereas for the last school year of 1925-1926 is was \$76.01, which shows a reduction in per pupil costs of 19 cents, so that it may be seen that although the necessary expenditures for the School Department may be constantly growing much larger annually, yet by effective planning and management we are conducting our schools from a comparative point of view economically. Of the 79 towns in our group, 52 are spending more per pupil, and only 26 are spending less. The

average expenditure per pupil for Group A is \$6.71 more than it is here in Braintree. During the last school year while the average in Group II increased \$2.53, Braintree showed a decrease of 19 cents.

Out of our corps of teachers there were at the close of the school year in June but 11 resignations, but because of "leave of absence" granted and the necessary increase in the number of teachers, it was necessary to secure 20 new teachers, every one of whom has proven herself most effective in her work, and a congenial co-worker in the department, so that in no way has the fine spirit of the department been lessened in any degree. I doubt if any school system has a finer spirit or better team work than is shown by the teachers in the Town of Braintree. I hope the citizens will in every way possible show their appreciation of the whole-hearted, earnest and conscientious efforts of their teachers to do the most possible for the best interest of the children with the facilities placed at their disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

C. EDWARD FISHER.

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: Herewith is submitted the report of the
High School for the past year.

ATTENDANCE

The following figures on membership for the
present year to date may be of interest:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Post Graduates	3	1	4
Seniors	24	55	79
Juniors	42	66	108
Sophomores	48	59	107
Freshmen	74	63	137
Totals	191	244	435

The total registration, to date, of 435 is twenty-six more than last year. The size of the present eighth grades would indicate a great increase in the number of freshmen for September 1927. In addition to this, the opening of a new building always gives an impetus to high school education, consequently it is expected that the registration in September, 1927, will be very materially larger than the present number.

Attention is called to two things in the above classification, namely, there are more in the junior class than in the sophomore class, which, as an entering class last year, was the smallest for several years;

and the freshman boys out-number freshman girls, which is an unusual situation in the average high school today.

Last year's graduating class of sixty-seven was the largest in the history of the school.

The percentage of attendance for the school year 1925-1926 was 95.36. This represents considerable improvement over the previous year. Instead of an average of thirteen days' absence for each pupil, as of a few years ago, those figures for last year mean an average of about eight days for each pupil. It is felt that the bus service established last year has had a considerable part in this improvement. The bus service extension last September, to include all East Braintree pupils residing at a distance of two miles or more from the school, has had the expected results. The location of the new high school is such as to require some reorganizations in this service when the building is opened, to correspond with the new two-mile limits.

TEACHING FORCE

At the present time there are four new teachers in our teaching force. Only two vacancies occurred last spring due to resignations, however, for two of those who did not return are on leave of absence and will be back in September. One of those is studying in France.

Through the generosity of the voters of the town we have reached the point where we can pay our teachers enough to hold those whom we desire, except in the case of the unusual offer from larger places. This situation is as it should be, for the teacher

who is successful here is worth just as much to Brain-tree as to any other community. A greater degree of stability in the teaching force means better quality of the work done as a whole.

EXTRA-CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

Every year it is becoming more and more accepted as a sound educational policy that extra-curricula activities have an important part in all schools, more especially those of higher grades. Care must be taken that too great emphasis not be put on such activities, and to constantly keep before the pupils the fact that academic work should always come first. When so defined and accepted, there is no question as to the value of such outside activities as aids in the development of the characteristics which make for good citizenship.

In point of games won by our athletic teams the past year, the seasons have not been over-successful, but from the standpoint of good sportsmanship and physical development of those taking part they have been. Football, class basketball, and baseball for the boys, and basketball and hockey for the girls, have served as an incentive for a larger number of boys and girls than ever to take part in those sports, and the value of any sport is measured not by the number of games won, but by the number of individuals who take an active and beneficial part therein. In my opinion, however, athletics in many places receive too much attention as compared to other activities. Almost every school has its athletic teams. This is as it should be, but it is only one phase in all-round development, therefore it would seem that the boy or girl who help to publish a successful school paper, take part in an interscholastic debate, or present a musical program

before the public, is deserving of as much praise as one who helps carry out an athletic schedule. In accordance with this idea, therefore, it is hoped that a system can be satisfactorily worked out whereby those who participate in other activities than athletics may receive credit toward the privilege of wearing a school letter.

The school paper, the "Wampatuck", has had its usual successful season. In the past three years it has won the distinction of twice having been judged the best, and once the second-best all-round paper published by any of the more than twenty schools belonging to the Southeastern Massachusetts League of School Publications. For the past two years, we have also won the first place for the best formal essay published, in each case one of the Commencement parts.

The popularity of the orchestra work has increased to such an extent that it is fast becoming necessary to limit the number for lack of room. At the present time there are about forty boys and girls who are actively interested in the work. They have played on several occasions before outside organizations, including one broadcast from the Houghton and Dutton studio of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company. The new music books recently purchased have added to the interest in the work, and make it possible for the orchestra to give a complete evening's entertainment of selections not too worn. Selections are as far removed as possible from the modern "jazz music", the idea being to give the orchestra members something worth while, and create in the audience a taste for the better class of music. The importance of this work can hardly be over-estimated. Whenever we see a group of pupils who show such an interest in, and responsibility toward any undertaking as have

our orchestra members, we are sure that something worth while has been accomplished, and that the Town of Braintree must be the better for such boys and girls.

The glee club has also done excellent work. Co-operating with the orchestra, they presented last spring a very successful musical program, open to the public, the proceeds of which went into the Musical Instrument Fund.

The Webster Debating Club is continuing its excellent work of past years. Inter-class debates are held before assemblies, and in February and March each year debates are held with other schools. Last year Braintree lost only one out of five debates, the other four being unanimous decisions in Braintree's favor. The training in public speaking, as well as in logic, is of inestimable value to those taking part.

CHANGES IN CURRICULUM

The only change in the past year was the introduction of a course in business training, introduced primarily for those pupils who do not intend to continue high school for more than one or two years. Very little change in curriculum is anticipated for the coming year. It is hoped to introduce a course in Problems of Democracy, open to the seniors. The work under the physical directors will be wholly new so far as the high school is concerned, each pupil receiving two periods a week in the school gymnasium. To provide for this it is probable that some five-period subjects will be cut to four. In order to provide for a definite period for extra-curricula work without taking it from regular classes it is planned to add an extra period to one day each week. The school day will also be somewhat lengthened.

NEED OF PARENTS' CO-OPERATION

Nowhere in the whole school life is the lack of teamwork so apparent as between the parents and teachers of high school pupils. It cannot be due to indifference and lack of interest on the part of the average parents toward their children's work. Therefore it must be due to lack of knowledge as the true situation. There is no time in the school life of the pupil when the parents' help is quite so necessary as during the high school period, especially the first year, when the pupil is forced to completely reorganize his plan all his studies during spare periods of the day, he is forced to give a considerable amount of time to home of work. Instead of being able to prepare practically study. This time varies, depending upon the course he is following, but in no case should be less than two hours daily if he hopes to succeed. The average pupil has only one spare period each day, fifty minutes in length, but even in the case of the pupil who has two, totalling one hundred minutes, it can be readily seen that an average of twenty-five minutes spent on each subject would not be sufficient time in which to prepare them well. We have no single pupil in high school who can do all his work in school hours, and the average pupil can not be expected to do even passable work if he devotes less than two hours a day to outside study. The lack of co-operation on the part of parents is nowhere more forcefully illustrated than in the failure this year, as of last, to return the authorized signature cards which were mailed to all parents and guardians in September. At the present time about twenty-five per cent of these cards are still missing.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Plans are under way to resurrect the former alumni association. With the opening of the new building near at hand there are many things which an active association of graduates could do. It is hoped and expected that when plans for the association are completed and made known to the graduates there will be a hearty response.

HIGH SCHOOL BANKING

A school savings bank, to be known as the "Braintree High School Savings Bank", will be put into operation soon after the Christmas vacation. The object of this project is to encourage thrift among high school pupils and at the same time provide practical experience in savings bank work for those who conduct the banking. It is planned to conduct this on as practical a basis as possible, so that our pupils may become familiar with the routine of savings banks and incidentally acquire the habit of thrift. An advisory committee, consisting of the Superintendent of Schools, Principal of the High School, and Head of the Commercial Department, will have general oversight of the banking, which will be directly supervised by the Head of the Commercial Department. The officers of the bank, selected from the student body, consist of a president, vice presidents, clerk, treasurer, assistant treasurers, and board of trustees. Deposits will be made in regular form during specified banking hours. Deposits are to be recorded by capable students, who will be required to prove their work each banking day. Students who do this work receive practical experience that will be of great value to them in their work after graduation. The Braintree High School Savings Bank will provide a safe, convenient,

and practical place for the high school students to start to save money. Money thus saved will provide for expenses which will be incurred in the near future, such as graduation, and later on, for college expenses. Many a high school graduate has been deprived of a college education due to lack of sufficient funds, an obstacle which could have been overcome by banking some of the money he earned during his high school days. It is also equally as important that the rich man's son learn the habit of thrift and foresight which his parents must have had before him. It is hoped that the parents of the high school students will encourage them to open savings accounts in the high school savings bank.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

During the past year, as in previous years, a number of graduates of the school have been given help either in securing their first positions or in securing promotions. Incidentally, this service, which is in charge of the Commercial Department, has worked to the advantage of many local and Boston firms. Others will find it of advantage to get in touch with the Braintree High School Employment Service when in need of either beginners or experienced workers. Our recommendations are conservative, and we believe that we can save business men the expense of trying out several employees in several cases before they secure the right one for the job. The service will increase in value to the town as the patronage of graduates and business men increases.

SCHOOL LIBRARY

Although there are many respects in which the new high school will be an incentive to education, there is no one thing which will be of more advantage or

offer more opportunities than the library. For some time the lack of library facilities has been the weakest spot in our system. Today it is not enough to limit our study in any subject to one or two formal textbooks. There must be at hand a large amount of ready material on every subject. Only in this way can pupils be trained in independent thinking and how to get the most from their courses. The Public Library has always been very willing to co-operate with us, and has many times helped us in unusual ways, such as getting books from the Boston City Library for debates, etc., but there are a large number of pupils who come by bus who have not the time after school to make use of the Public Library facilities, and who could use the school library in spare periods. One of the finest aims of education is the development in every student of a real interest in good books, and a knowledge of how to use them to best advantage. This work can only go on properly under the guidance of a trained librarian.

A list of books has been carefully prepared by the teachers and from a list recommended by the Department of Education. We can not expect in a single year to reach the standard set by the State of having at least four volumes for each pupil registered, but a good start can be made, and it is hoped that the item in the budget calling for an appropriation for library books will meet with favorable action at the hands of the Appropriation Committee.

The following quotation from the Journal of the National Education Association emphasizes the need for literary facilities: "In this struggle for universal education the school library is the first point of attack. It lies at the very root of the new pedagogy of individual differences. It is the heart of any progress of socialized effort and individual responsibility. The

new curriculum now being forged in a thousand towns and cities cries for tools of learning which shall be as good in their fields as implements of modern industry are in theirs. If the new urge toward education as a life-long project is to become general, the child must develop in the school library attitudes, habits, and knowledge of intellectual resources which will lead him to use public libraries and to build up his own. As the world advances, the will to learn, and the technique of learning are needed more and more by the masses. In proportion as an individual has or lacks the philosophic-scientific attitude toward knowledge and life, he wins in the struggle to make the most of himself."

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES L. JORDAN.

REPORT OF CONTINUATION SCHOOL

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Mass.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my report of the Boys'
Department of the Braintree Continuation School.

The enrollment from the opening of school in September to date is seventy-nine boys. This is an increase over last year, probably due to the fact that Braintree is growing, also competition is becoming so keen in some industries that more minor labor is being used.

Many of the market gardeners are increasing their

business and give employment to many boys from planting time until harvest.

From questioning the boys I find the majority would like to go into building trades. There are very few opportunities in Braintree for a boy under sixteen years of age to learn a trade, or get into a business where there is any definite line of promotion, consequently most of the boys are just holding their present jobs until they become sixteen.

In our school shop the work has been much the same as in previous years. During September we built a twelve foot row boat, which interested the boys a great deal. I find that the larger the project, the greater the interest. Many boys made smoking stands, table lamps, and radio cabinets to take home as Christmas presents for some member of the family.

The following subjects are taken up in our academic classes, shop mathematics, English, citizenship, and Hygiene.

In closing I wish to thank all those who have cooperated with us in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD W. JOHNSON.

REPORT OF CONTINUATION SCHOOL

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my second annual report for the Girls' Department of the Braintree Continuation School.

The classes began in September with a total enrollment of fifty-three girls. The girls have been more regular in attendance than last year, therefore we have been able to accomplish more.

With the assistance of the citizens of Braintree who furnished materials and jars, we were able to double last years canning. This work included jelly, conserves, relishes, and grape juice, as well as the whole fruits and vegetables. Other work in cooking comprises the planning and cooking of practical meals which are served to the Hollis School teachers at cost.

The work in sewing is practical and suited to the needs of the pupils. We have completed simple undergarments, and have drafted patterns for nightgowns, kimonos, bungalow aprons, and simple cotton dresses. The girls also made and covered with cretonne, boxes for their sewing supplies. At Christmas time we made various attractive gifts which included rompers for the younger brothers and sisters. We are to make silk dresses in the spring.

In the academic work we study English, Hygiene and Civics, in order to lay a foundation for healthier homes and happy, thrifty citizens. The entire work is of a most practical, directly useful and general improvement nature.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH P. COBB.

REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report of the
art work of the Braintree Schools.

The art training of the public schools is a practical training, touching closely the needs of the community; it aims to cultivate taste and apply that taste to the homes, the dress, and the business of those it trains.

A mistaken idea is to hold that art is the business only of the artist. As a matter of fact, principles of art touch every individual and are used more or less consciously by all. The housewife must decorate her home. She may use the principles of decoration well or ill, but use them she must, in the adornment of her house, in her dress, and even in the flowers which she plants in her garden or hangs in her window boxes.

The business man cannot escape from the use of art's principles for a single day. If he would "dress" a shop window, get up a circular, design a letterhead, or arrange a newspaper advertisement, he must consciously or unconsciously use the rules which art has devised in design, color and arrangement.

Art is not for "the few". It is for "the many", for the many have to use it. It is not held that the training of the public schools will produce artists, but it is held that it will raise the standards of taste throughout the community. We cannot have people with high standards without an effect on trade. People who know better things, demand better things. We

buy the thing that looks the best; and looking best is not a matter of accident. Besides the relationship of art teaching to the business interest of the community, there is a civic value in art training. One cannot raise standards of taste without raising standards of appreciation. The man or woman who strives to make his house better takes pride in having his town better. Every civic "booster" knows that there is nothing which stimulates the interest and pride of citizens more than a consciousness of the growing beauty of the town in which they live. Thus the spiritual value of art training goes with its practical value. One cannot change materially the taste of a people already grown up. One must begin with the children in the public schools.

For two years the material in three art text books has been used to promote the aims of the art instruction in the Braintree Schools. These art books were explained in a previous report. Recently a Teachers' Manual has been added to the art reference books. Properly used this manual will simplify the problems of conducting the lesson and directing the class while in action. It will be of assistance in making the fundamentals of art more intelligible. And will make clear that the same thought and effort, the same pedagogical principles need to be applied to teaching Drawing and Art as to any other subject.

A course of study was completed last year and is being used up to the present time. It is being revised to suit the new time allotment given to the drawing classes and to conform in arrangement with the Teachers' Manual.

During this past year each grade teacher has saved, in a special envelope, one average drawing of each completed problem. These were to serve as a

memoranda and sample for the next year's work. Since last September I have found many new teachers thankful for this envelope. As the year progresses and a new sample is saved it takes the place of the old one which is returned to the pupil.

An ideal way to note the past year's work would be to have for each grade a large portfolio containing usual mounting cards on which would be fastened papers and any art work chosen from the work of all the pupils in town in that particular grade. The portfolios would be kept in wall cabinets in a room adjoining the Superintendent's office, and available to all who might benefit by the varied ideas and suggestions.

I find it difficult to say definitely that the standard of the drawing classes has improved since the preceed-in year. But I can say there is decided change for the better since 1923 or 1924. I feel that with the reference material, the subject matter, the working material and the time allotment we have so far collected that the proper method of procedure will improve and develop.

At the High School the pupils wish for more drawing. I am glad there is a possibility of a wish being fulfilled. The drawing periods are far too few. A pupil at this age can appreciate the value of an art course if it is presented attractively.

The present course of study divides the pupils into groups. Beginners and advanced students. The First Year people have practically the same work each year. But the Advanced pupils have a different program outlined each year. The same fundamentals are repeated, but by means of different problems. Then too, the materials and tools worked with vary.

The freehand drawing classes and mechanical drawing classes are divided in the same manner. Both have textbooks and both progress as rapidly as they are capable. A certain amount of work must be done, but due credit is given the pupil who accomplishes extra work. With the large classes and short time it is usual to keep groups working similarly. Individual help, criticism, and attention is given in the groups as long as the time lasts.

Soon I hope a definite three year Art Course will be followed in the High School. It should be arranged to help the business student as well as the college student. A General Art Course might be the title.

Art can be on an equal standing with any other subject in the High School provided it is given the proper backing. Those people who have interest in other directions do not realize the forward movement in Art Education apparent in the last few years. Not only are the Art Associations pushing the value of art training, but the manufacturing and business concerns, connected with production of art materials, are expressing an interest by distributing, at their own expense, monthly pamphlets as "Every Day Art", "The Drawing Teacher", "American Art for Grade Teachers", and "The Art Service Bureau Outline for Spring", (Summer, Winter, Fall). These are advertisements to be sure, but they help to advance the cause of Art Education.

In closing my report I thank the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, Principals, and teachers for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ATHALIE HOBELL.

REPORT OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

The progress of the Instrumental Music Department has been steadily maintained throughout the schools of the Town, and results have proven such growth to be of healthy and consistent nature.

Interest on the part of those performing and the various other classes participating together with the addition of a large number of beginners, resulted in the saturation point, in regard to the time allotted to each school, being reached early in the school term during September.

Public recognition of the work and performance of the High School Orchestra has been attested in several appearances during the past year, the most noteworthy among which was the broadcasting from Station W. E. E. I. during Educational Week.

The number of instrumentalists at the various schools is as follows:

Noah Torrey School	32
High School	41
Hollis School	50
Penniman School	13
Jonas Perkins School	25
Thomas Watson School	15

I wish to extend my appreciation and thanks to the teachers and principals who in many ways have helped to make Instrumental Music a reality for several boys and girls, and to the Braintree Rotary

Club, and all those who by donations of instruments or contributions to this department have largely aided in its success.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. J. LEWIS.

REPORT OF VOCAL MUSIC SUPERVISOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report of vocal music in the Braintree Schools.

Braintree Schools now realizes an equipment in music books which is uniform and adequate for all grades and of the highest standard. To teach music-reading, music-writing, train voices and develop song-singing in twenty minutes a day, it is most essential that no time is lost with poor and insufficient music text books, and that we have the most attractive and interesting song material. The "Music Education Series" has been carefully described in a previous report.

Beginning the new year, the six large schools will be supplied with a set of phonograph records, that make up a course in music appreciation that parallels the Music Education Series, a complete and practical course in understanding the masterpieces of music through phonograph records made by eminent artists. The valuable pedagogical principle that underlies this course is, proceed from known to unknown. It begins with presenting in each grade a "bridge" record

which leads the class naturally from songs which they have already sung and learned to love, to the same songs played by various solo instruments of the orchestra with accompaniments. In this new medium of expression are now presented the great instrumental and vocal masterpieces and leads directly to the intelligent enjoyment and appreciation of the best known musical compositions. With these new records and new portable phonographs we will have a musical equipment that will make it possible to give the children abundantly, while they are in school, the joyful experience of hearing and sharing in the rendition of beautiful music. In this learning to appreciate and to love beautiful music, we believe that our boys and girls will be inclined to observe and to acquire a taste for all beauty. Such stimulation of childrens' aesthetic instinct will in turn tend to enrich, refine, and ennoble their entire lives.

Music in the High School should prepare for two types of use; first, the creating of a happier, finer, better balanced citizenship through enlarging the use of music as leisure time activity; and second, the laying of the foundation, at least for music as a vocation. Recently a leading educator stated that statistics show that music as a profession involves more people than lawyers, doctors, and dentists combined. According to this statement music should be placed with the other vocational subjects and treated as such. With the opening of the new High School, I recommend that we take steps to establish courses in music including harmony, music appreciation, musical history, and theory, to meet the needs of the pupils who are going to make music their life work.

Such courses in the High School would necessitate another teacher who would give full time to the High School music. The increased number of classes in

the grades have made my schedule so crowded that some primary classes are only visited once a month, and under present conditions I have not been able to meet the demands in the High School for organized glee chorus work, and added courses could not be attempted unless I have an assistant in the grades or a special teacher for the High School music.

In closing my report I wish to quote a prominent educator on music as a fundamental need of humanity.

“Music supplies a fundamental need of humanity because it appeals directly to the heart, tends to soften and mellow the sensibilities, makes a direct appeal to the higher emotions, and in all ages and among all peoples has been the medium of approach to the Infinite. Music, like literature and art, awakens, stimulates and develops an appreciation of beauty. Somehow music opens the windows of the soul, mellows and softens the whole being, speaks directly to the heart, and is a medium of expression where words are inadequate. Music begins where speech ends.”

Respectfully submitted,

INGRID E. EKMAN.

REPORT OF PHYSICAL DIRECTOR

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Since Physical Education has but recently become a part of the curriculum of the schools of Braintree, my report can serve to show more of what I hope to

accomplish than what has been done. Judging by the ready response and willingness of the children to learn new things, and the wonderful co-operation of the principals and teachers of the schools, I am sure that it will not be long before this subject will be considered as valuable to Braintree's future citizens, as any other subject in the schools.

Physical Education should aim to bring out the potential qualities of the body, mind, and soul of the individual and group, by providing well chosen material built on the foundation of the nature and needs of the individual for practical future living. We should help the growing child to live a free and vital life and allow free expression of the social instincts. We know that the mind controls the body, and we therefore should make this organism an efficient instrument. Here, too, we may so mold their personalities by instilling in them high ideals and standards for a better influence on their companions, and thus live in harmony with the rest of the world. And lastly Physical Education fortifies them against disease by living a pure hygienic life.

So far I have devoted my time to introducing this subject through a typical plan of classroom work so that during the interval between my weekly visits to each school, the teacher may carry on the work at their required morning and afternoon periods. This plan follows the suggestions offered in the State bulletin on Physical Education, and I have divided the lesson as follows:

INTRODUCTION—For mental and physical preparation for a lesson.

CORRECTIVE—To secure good posture and to help correct bad or faulty posture in child.

EDUCATIONAL—For alertness, control, coordination and inhibition.

HYGIENIC—For stimulating the systems of the body. They aim at health ends.

RECREATIVE—Games, athletics, and folk dances.

During my visits to the schools each week, the work is carried on out-doors, weather permitting, where new work is taught and a great deal of time devoted to natural activities, folk dances and games.

With the progress the children are making now, they will be ready for my Rational Athletic Plan by spring. This is simply an interpretation of the last two parts of the above typical class plan, Hygienic and Recreative. It consists in bringing athletic exercises and the method of athletic competition into the regular physical education weekly program. Each pupil, instead of a select few, gets the benefit of some real athletic work, and learns the rudiments of several wholesome outdoor sports. If it be deemed advisable, a Point System or Individual Records may be kept. Records should always be secondary to the main purpose, which is Exercise—vigorous, wholesome, all-round exercise for everybody.

The new High School with its gymnasium, apparatus, lockers, and showers, will afford a wonderful opportunity to further develop this plan.

Respectfully submitted,

H. P. HERMANSEN.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of Schools,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit the annual report of health work done in the Braintree Schools.

Once each week every school is visited on a regular schedule, and general health work is done in all cases where needed.

The school physicians have examined each child physically as is required under the Massachusetts law. This year some twenty-eight hundred children have received such an examination.

All children in the schools have been weighed and measured. A careful record has been kept of each child, and in cases where individuals have been found underweight advice has been given to parents. Parents are notified in all cases where any serious physical defect is discovered, and are urged to take up the matter with their family physician.

The teeth of all children to the fourth grade are examined in preparation for the work of the Dental Clinic.

All pupils are examined at frequent intervals for cleanliness and for symptoms of contagious disease. Treatment is given for minor troubles such as cuts, bruises, toothache, boils, etc. When children are absent from school, visits are made to the homes and advice given to parents in many cases.

Mothercraft is being taught in the eighth grades to the girls, and general instruction in home-making.

In closing, I would say that the past year has seen a distinct improvement in the health of our boys and girls, and this improvement is bound to continue as long as we have such a spirit of helpfulness and co-operation between pupils, parents, and teachers, as has been manifest in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE D. CARSON.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

January 3, 1927.

Mr. C. Edward Fisher, Superintendent of School,
Braintree, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I hereby submit my report as Attendance Officer for the year December 31, 1926.

I have worked in conjunction with the State Board of Labor and Industry, also the Friendly Aid Association, and the School Nurse.

I have investigated 697 cases as reported to me and found pupils absent for the following reasons:

Sickness	118
Truancy	58
Lack of clothing, shoes, etc.	38
Kept out by parents	106
Found on street and taken to school	34
Left School	48

Non-registration (new pupils placed in school) . .	14
Found on street and taken home	31
Left Town	21
Employment Cards	9
Tardy	29
Factories and stores visited	15
Found at home and taken to school	61
Department of Immigration cases investigated	0
Destroying and loss of school property	3
Disturbances at school and on streets	5
Home employment cards granted	2
Taken to court	0
Sent to Wrentham School	0
Reported to school nurse	18
Boys placed under my charge by parents	22
From farm to school (under 14 years)	24
Evening calls on parents	43

I have investigated all cases of the schools including the Continuation School and the High School, in the interest of parents, superintendent of schools, and at all times having in mind the welfare of the Town in general.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. HANNAFORD.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE BRAINTREE HIGH SCHOOL

Town Hall, Wednesday Evening, June 23, 1926,
at eight o'clock.

- | | |
|--|---------|
| <p>March, "Graduation"
High School Orchestra</p> | Ascher |
| <p>Song, "Carmena"
School Chorus</p> | Wilson |
| <p>Salutatory Essay, "The Magnificent Idler"
Louise Oakman</p> | |
| <p>Essay, "Great Moments in Science"
Wayne Besselman</p> | |
| <p>Essay "The Field of Medical Science"
Dorothy Simonds</p> | |
| <p>Selection, "Over the Waves"
High School Orchestra</p> | Rosas |
| <p>Presentation of Philergian Essay Prize
Mrs. Andrew S. Merrill, President of Philergians</p> | |
| <p>Essay, "The Land of White Pagodas"
Joseph McInerney</p> | |
| <p>Song, "Nightingale and Rose"
School Chorus</p> | Lehnert |
| <p>Award of Scholarship Prizes
Mr. Elmer E. Abercrombie, Chairman of Trustees of
Braintree School Fund</p> | |
| <p>Essay, "Something Besides the Three R's"
Mary Halloran</p> | |

Song, "Starry Night"

Densmore

Senior Girls

Valedictory Essay, "The Importance of Music in Schools"

Bernadine McCusker

Presentation of French Medals and Diplomas

Class Song

Words by Mary Halloran

MEMBERS OF CLASS

Bernadine Marie McCusker	Thomas Joseph Henshon
Mary Louise Oakman	Earl Cunningham Hollis
Mary Claire Halloran	Grace Evelyn Howie
Joseph John McInerney	Robert Wheeler Kenyon
Wayne Leo Besselman	Frances Irene Klaus
Dorothy Edna Simonds	Gertrude Eleanor Krohn
Maybelle Alice Abbott	Carol Lawrence
Ruth Frances Ashworth	Evelyn Marguerite LeVangie
Abraham Lincoln Bloom	Roger Michael LeVangie
Herbert Oswald Boardman	Helen Louise Little
Isabel Frances Bregoli	Rosalind Maxham
William John Burns	Eleanor Dolores Maxwell
Louise Marie Carney	Marguerite Nora McCarthy
Douglas Cassell	Paul Peter Mealey
Elizabeth Cochran	Henry Cutting Merriam
Doris Louise Creed	Frank LeRoy Nickerson
Julian Earl Davis	Blanche Irene Our
Dorothy Drake	Mary Margaret Wendell Pearson
Flora Anna Eldridge	Elvie Amelia Peterson
Thelma Marguerite Farrington	Mary Frances Pratt
Louise Richards Fitts	Mary Alice Reardon
Elna Sophie Fredrickson	Sibyl Frances Robinson
Eleanor Mary Gannon	Dorothy Frances Scanlan
Robert Francis Gerrish	Adeline Helen Steele
Margaret Elizabeth Haley	Herbert Robert Stenberg
Ethel Irene Haynes	Harold Irving Stewart
Olive Grace Hennessey	Dorothy Rhea Studley
Ruth Naomi Henry	Eleanor Virginia Sullivan

Arnold Roger Swinmer	Margaret Ethel Walsh
Olive Elmira Tardiff	Conlan Ernest Warren
Fannie Burrell Vining	Alphons Ramon Weyhert
Edward Aloysius Walsh	Mary Regina Weyhert
Francis Joseph Walsh	Clara Emeline Wynot
Harold Giles Wynot	

CLASS OFFICERS

Wayne Besselman, President Blanche Our, Vice-Pres.
Bernadine McCusker, Sec. Joseph McInerney, Treas.

FRENCH MEDAL WINNERS

Bernadine McCusker Louise Oakman
Mary Hallorau

PHILERGIAN PRIZE ESSAY WINNER

Bernadine McCusker

CLASS FLOWER

Rose

CLASS COLORS

Lavendar and Silver

CLASS MOTTO

“Victoria Patentiam Coronat”

First six names arranged according to rank.

The following is a list of all the grammar school graduates in the Town of Braintree, June 22 - 24, 1926.

HOLLIS SCHOOL

Jean Sutherland Baker	Irene Mary McKeough
Lyman Winslow Chick	Walter Nelson Miller
Martha H. Farquharson	Robert Francis Murphy
Mildred Ann Frazier	Grace Godfrey Neal
Hilman Charles Hall	Farlyn Ruth Newcomb
Ellen Harrison	Harold Ellsworth Norris
Pauline Hamilton Harvey	Louise Estelle Payne
Virginia Gertrude Horsman	Louise Ann Quinn
Caleb Kelley Hurst	Russell Wade Symmes
Wilhelmina Carlisle Johnson	Miriam Irene Thomas
Leon Wendell Jordan	Mary Elizabeth Vinton
Francis Gustaf Luoma	Albert John Walsh
Violette Phyllis Marston	Joseph Arthur White
Harold Clifton McKay, Jr.	Inez Fletcher Wilder
Dorothy Louise McKeough	Chester Elroy Williams
Robert Gage Woodsum	

PENNIMAN SCHOOL

Stedman Field Arnold	John Leo Gavin
Frank Louis Benson	Mary Josephine Gavin
Robert Alton Caswell	Florence Mary Kennison
William Henry Collins	Dean Jackson Kingsbury
Francis Cotter	Rose Ella Lehosky
Addison Ralph Crafts	Donald Francis Meserve
Margaret Jane DeCoste	Marjorie Eleanor Plummer
Joseph Anthony Frazier	Ruth Power
Douglas Woodrow Prince	

JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL

Robert Bates	Edward Paul Long
James Edwin Brooks	George McDonald Lonie
Mae Livingston Bruce	Mary Catherine McDonald
Dorothy Evelyn Crandall	Arthur Charles McLaughlin
Edna Catherine Cunniff	James William Nickson
Ella Morton Edson	Florence Alma Palmer
Joyce Fiske	Francis Waldo Richards
Christopher McRae Garland	Wilbert Smith Rideout
Herbert Leslie Hardy	Harry Woods
Walter Kenneth Hartman	Olaf Alfred Saunders
Lillian Esther Kearney	Myrtle Lillian Walker
Marguerite Ellen Lavery	Charles Seldon Woodbury

THOMAS A. WATSON SCHOOL

Donald Arthur Berrio	Richard Hennebury
George Walker Charlesworth	Marie Carrie Herman
Myrtle Marion Collier	Ruth Kelland
Earl Francis Connors	Bertha Vesta Lunan
Milton Billings Cook	Norbert Walter Lyon
Ruth Helena Crane	Joseph Vincent McVay
Harry William Crossman	Frederick Clinton Messenger
Rhoda Victoria Dosenberg	Charlotte Matilda Moore
Arthur Campbell Drennan	Newman Weston Page
Paul Albert Fredette	Olive Joy Pratt
Florence Lillian Furse	Barbara Elizabeth Reed
Annie Goldie	Bernard Augustine Smith
Marion Esther Harvey	Emily May Streiferd
Michael Hennebury	Peter Henry Walsh

NOAH TORREY SCHOOL

Marjorie Ethelynde Armstrong	Reo Victor Albonetti
Grace Elizabeth Cardarople	Nicholas Leo Basile
Dorothy Gwendolyn Clapp	Richard Albion Cain
Eleanor Diaute	Anthony Cordaro
Helen Iren Katheryn Davis	John James Davis
Claire Lucille Diauto	Henry Francis DeCosta
Harriette Isabelle Farrar	Joseph David DeCoste
Irma Frances Ferguson	Robert Francis Foley
Cecelia Barabara Fitzsimmons	Geno Galetti
Mildred Dorothy Ford	Anthony Nicholas Galotti
Thelma Elizabeth Harrington	Lewis Howard Gould
Dorothy Helen Levangie	Edward Hedvig
Mildred Marie Kerr	Maurice Alden Mansfield
Irma Elizabeth Lawry	Leonard Sewell Marshman
Evelyn Mary Ford	Chester Earl McGibbon
Catherine Stella Monteforte	Joseph Michael Mealey
Esther Louise Nelson	Francis Edwin Morse
Ethel May Newcomb	Louis Charles Morse
Agnes Sophia Peterson	Edward Roy O'Brien
Mary Elizabeth Scanlon	John Adolphus Reed
Beulah Evangeline Smiley	Edwin Francis Russell
Alice Muriel Sullivan	Earle Marshall Simonds
Anna Sullivan	Edmund Basil Smith
Ethel Augusta Waite	Richard Bertram Vonberg

PARENT - TEACHERS ASSOCIATIONS**Hollis School**

President, Mr. F. N. Nissen, 62 Holmes Street,
Braintree.

Secretary, Mrs. Mabel Pierce, 42 Common Street,
Braintree.

Treasurer Mr. Charles E. Thomas, 20 Wyman Road,
Braintree.

Penniman School

President, Mr. Archie Morrison, Liberty Street, South
Braintree.

Secretary, Miss Eleanor G. Brown, 32 Hollis Avenue,
Braintree.

Treasurer, Miss Clara N. M. Holbrook, 185 Middle
Street, Braintree.

Noah Torrey School and Pond School

President, Mrs. Arvilla Hayden, Franklin Street, South
Braintree.

Secretary, Miss Dorothy Fessenden, 1060 Washington
Street, South Braintree.

Treasurer, Mrs. Frederick W. Rowell, 33 Tremont
Street, South Braintree.

Jonas Perkins School and Abraham Lincoln School

President, Mrs. Stanley Reed, 21 Dobson Road, East
Braintree.

Secretary, Mrs. Simon Rideout, 193 Shaw Street, East
Braintree.

Treasurer, Mrs. C. Frederick Tarbox, 27 Willard St.,
East Braintree.

Thomas A. Watson School

President, Mr. Melvin Jenkins, Trefton Drive, East
Braintree.

Secretary, Mrs. Newman Page, Trefton Drive, East
Braintree.

Treasurer, Mrs. Newman Page, Trefton Drive, East
Braintree.

BRAINTREE HIGH SCHOOL

Oct. 1, 1926
Membership

Department	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Principal	James L. Jordan	Bates College	18 years	Sept. 1918
Clerk	Thelma C. MacKenzie	Braintree High	1 year	Sept. 1925
Sub-Master	Samuel E. Lawrence	Rhode Island State	10 years	Sept. 1921
English	Avis C. Walsh	Wellesley College	4 years	Sept. 1923
English	Gladys E. Maxfield	University of Maine	5 years	Sept. 1926
English	Julia V. Cox	University of Washington	14½ years	Nov. 1926
Latin	Ida Wilsker	Brown University	4 years	Sept. 1924
French and Spanish	Hazel M. Summerville	University New Hampshire	2 years	Sept. 1926
French and Biology	Rosalie E. Knight	Bates College	4 years	Sept. 1925
History	Ruth M. Malone	Boston University	5 years	Sept. 1922
History and Civics	John N. Laughton	Colby College	1 year	Sept. 1926
Mathematics	Katherine K. Waldron	Boston University	17 years	Sept. 1924
Household Arts	Ruth J. Bennett	Framingham Normal	11 years	Sept. 1919
Household Arts				
Science and Mathematics	Marion D. Williams	University of New Hampshire	3 years	Sept. 1924
Commercial	Raymond L. Strangford	Northeastern University	9 years	Sept. 1922
Commercial	Olive M. Avery	University of Maine	9 years	Sept. 1923
Commercial	Margaret C. Kirby	Salem Normal	12 years	Sept. 1923
Commercial	Hazel M. Fitts	Salem Normal	4 years	Sept. 1923
Commercial	Mildred B. Ahlgren	Salem Normal	7 years	Sept. 1923
Commercial	Beulah J. Smith	Boston University	2 years	Sept. 1925

HOLLIS SCHOOL

Department	Oct. 1, 1926 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Principal	430	Elmer E. Ellsworth	Columbia University	8 years	Sept. 1924
Grade 8	34	Marian Peabody	Gorham Normal	10 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 7	43	Ruth W. Thrasher	Framingham Normal	5 years	Sept. 1924
Grade 6	41	Kathryn Kirby	Westfield Normal	4 years	Sept. 1924
Grade 5	36	Doris G. Norton	Newburyport Training	7 years	Nov. 1921
Grades 4 and 5	12 - 22	Helen R. Page	Castine Normal	2 years	Sept. 1925
Grade 4	40	Mildred S. Nickerson	Bridgewater Normal	13 years	Sept. 1913
Grade 3	35	Rosalie S. Bayley	Thayer Academy	27 years	Sept. 1899
Grades 2 and 3	21 - 12	Doris B. Purdy	Castine Normal	2 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 2	32	Hannah C. Whelan	Weymouth Training	34 years	Sept. 1890
Grade 1	33	Anna E. Gorman	Salem Normal	4 years	Sept. 1924
Grade 1	32	Rena E. Hemenway	Salem Normal	8 years	Sept. 1922
Kindergarten	37	Ann R. Howard	Page Kindergarten	22 years	Sept. 1910

311

PENNIMAN SCHOOL

Principal	237	Norman D. Bailey	Boston University	4 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 8	22	Emma G. Davis	Washington Normal	5 years	Sept. 1923
Grade 7	25	Helen M. Sprague	Bridgewater Normal	2 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 6	23	Juliet Douty	Framingham Normal	3 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 5	26	Eleanor G. Brown	Bridgewater Normal	5 ½ years	Sept. 1922
Grade 4	24	Mary E. Mills	Castine Normal	16 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 3	35	Ethel M. Towse	Machias Normal	5 years	Sept. 1926

Department	Oct. 1, 1926 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Grade 2	27	Grace A. Bell	Bridgewater Normal	4 years	Sept. 1923
Grade 1	35	Gladys Iliffe	Lesley Normal	5 years	Nov. 1926
Kindergarten	20	Cecilia C. Whelan	Wheelock Kindergarten	10 years	Sept. 1916
JONAS PERKINS SCHOOL					
Principal	313	Alberto M. Eldrige	Bridgewater	28 years	Sept. 1918
Grade 8	35	Ella M. Jude	Castine Normal	18 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 7	45	Bertha E. Hinchcliffe	Salem Normal	11 years	Sept. 1925
Grade 6	45	Nellie E. Bolles	Braintree High	37 years	Sept. 1889
Grade 5	29	Ida M. Cromwell	Castine Normal	12 years	Sept. 1916
Grade 4	29	Irma M. Killian	Bridgewater Normal	12 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 3	30	Harriet C. Taylor	Hyannis Normal	30 years	Sept. 1900
Grade 2	38	Helen C. Dignan	Bridgewater Normal	8 years	Sept. 1921
Grade 1	35	Marguerite L. Sumner	Page Kindergarten	30 years	Sept. 1924
Kindergarten	27	Clara G. Colton	Wheelock Kindergarten	6 years	Sept. 1924
THOMAS A. WATSON SCHOOL					
Principal	344	Charles W. Brooks	Bridgewater	11 years	Sept. 1916
Grade 8	37	A. Eugenia Wilbas	Bridgewater	8 years	Sept. 1922
Grade 7	35	Ruth I. Clarke	North Adams Normal	3 years	Sept. 1925
Grade 6	42	Doris Minah	Keene Normal	5 years	Sept. 1923
Grade 5	41	Mary T. Madden	Bridgewater Normal	7 years	Sept. 1923
Grade 4	34	Hazel E. Gould	Keene Normal	7 years	Sept. 1924
Grade 3	35	Karolyn R. Finck	North Adams Normal	3 years	Sept. 1926

Department	Oct. 1, 1926 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Grade 2	40	Aileen L. Kingsbury	Plymouth Normal	3 years	Sept. 1925
Grade 1	33	Norma R. Brown	Bridgewater Normal	7 years	Sept. 1922
Kindergarten	47	M. Frances Fobes	Bridgewater Normal	10 years	Sept. 1920
ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL					
Principal	173				
Grade 5	21	Anna V. Gilligan	Bridgewater Normal	18 years	Sept. 1916
Grade 4	27	Emily A. Landry	Bridgewater Normal	10 years	Sept. 1918
Grade 3	27	Helen M. Linnehan	Wheelock Kindergarten	3½ years	Sept. 1925
Grade 2	30	A. Gladys Herring	Lowell Normal	8 years	Sept. 1922
Grade 1	35	Emma Lally	Lesley Normal	3 years	Sept. 1924
Kindergarten	33	Lorena Young	Perry Kindergarten	4 years	Sept. 1923
NOAH TORREY SCHOOL					
Principal	672	F. Allan Chapman	Salem Normal	17 years	Sept. 1918
Grade 8	31	Josephine B. Colbert	Bridgewater Normal	39 years	Sept. 1892
Grade 8	30	Gertrude E. Saunders	Salem Normal	8 years	Sept. 1919
Grade 7	46	Blanche Hinds	Boston Normal	14 years	Dec. 1924
Grade 7	45	Margaret MacDonald	Gorham Normal	2 years	Sept. 1925
Grade 6	51	Florence E. Richardson	Gorham Normal	23 years	April 1926
Grade 6	49	E. Aldana Coleman	Castine Normal	16 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 5	33	Elizabeth G. Rogers	Framingham Normal	28 years	Sept. 1915
Grade 5	31	Dorothy Fessendon	Bridgewater Normal	6 years	Sept. 1921
Grade 5	33	Clara W. Bickford	Gorham Normal	10 years	Feb. 1926

Department	Oct. 1, 1926 Membership	Name	Education	Experience	Service Began
Grade 4	34	Mildred E. Hutchinson	Plymouth Normal	22 years	Sept. 1919
Grade 4	33	Margaret E. Perkinns	Colby College	7 years	Sept. 1922
Grade 4	33	Edna R. Howland	Lowell Normal	8 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 3	43	Grace E. Rowe	Salem Normal	3 years	Sept. 1924
Grade 3	42	Gertrude H. Falt	Gorham Normal	3 years	April 1926
Grade 3	42	Ruth F. Chase	Plymouth Normal	4 years	Sept. 1926
Grade 2	35	Lucia Plumer	Keene Normal	6 years	Sept. 1925
Grade 2	31	Ida E. Stratton	Newburyport Training	15 years	April 1926
Grade 2	30	Helen Decker	Gorham Normal	2 years	Sept. 1926
POND SCHOOL					
Principal	118				
Grade 1	25	Claire E. Shay	Thayer Academy	23 years	Sept. 1903
Grade 1	25	Cora M. Coffill	North Adams Normal	13 years	Sept. 1918
Grade 1	26	Leta M. Weston	Brookfield High	15 years	Sept. 1909
Kindergarten	42	Harriet M. Hill	Shaw Normal	33 years	Sept. 1893
SOUTH WEST SCHOOL					
Grade 1	25	Clara N. M. Holbrook	Thayer Academy	17 years	Sept. 1909
Kindergarten	12	Ethella M. Nichols	Perry Normal	10 years	Sept. 1916
SOUTH SCHOOL					
Kindergarten	4				
Grade 1	15	Josephine M. Foster	Braintree High	23 ½ years	Sept. 1905

Oct. 1, 1926
Membership

Service
Began

Department

Name

Education

Experience

CONTINUATION SCHOOL

Boys	Richard W. Johnson	Fitchburg Normal	6 years	Sept. 1922
Girls	Elizabeth P. Cobb	Framingham Normal	1 year	Sept. 1925

SPECIALS

Music (Vocal)	Ingrid E. Ekman	New England Conservatory	16 years	Sept. 1919
Music (Instrumental)	Frederick W. J. Lewis	Boston University	19 years	Sept. 1923
Drawing	Athalie Hobell	Mass. Normal Art	7 years	Sept. 1921
Physical Education	H. Percy Hermansen	Savage School of Phys. Ed.	8 years	Sept. 1926
Nurse	Josephine D. Carson	Long Island Hospital	7 years	Sept. 1924
Special	Bertha L. Jennings	Bridgewater Normal	18 years	Sept. 1925
Special	Roma Bergami	Lowell Normal	8 years	Sept. 1925
Special	Alice Crocker	Bridgewater Normal	18 years	Sept. 1925
School Carpenter	Edward O. Long			June 1922
Attendance Officer	Charles S. Hannaford			Jan. 1918
Superintendent	C. Edward Fisher	St. Lawrence U., Brown U.	26 years	Oct. 1921
Secretary	Emily Lawley	Braintree High	5 years	Jan. 1922
School Physician	Dr. F. W. Gale			
School Physician	Dr. H. W. Ripley			
School Physician	Dr. C. A. Sullivan			

JANITORS

Albert F. Hollis, 39 Taylor Stree, South Braintree.
 Joseph E. Hayden, 55 Pearl Street, South Braintree.
 Omer W. Hollis, 282 Union Street, Braintree.
 Edward C. Holyoke, 24 Liberty Road, East Braintree.
 James Cassidy, 47 Bellevue Road, East Braintree.
 Willard P. Brown, 23 Willow Street, East Braintree.
 Foster F. Tupper, 44 Central Avenue, South Braintree.
 J. Herbert Annis, 2 Grove Street, South Braintree.
 William A. McCabe, 101 Central Avenue, South
 Braintree.
 Nelson E. Hayden, 305 Pond Street, South Braintree.
 Margaret O'Rourke, 29 Peach Street, South Braintree.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Teacher's Salaries	\$156,650.50
Superintendent	4,000.00
Clerk	1,140.00
Attendance Officer	500.00
Nurse and School Physicians	2,940.10
Janitors' Salaries	10,163.61
Fuel, Light and Water	9,250.63
Other Operating Expenses	1,901.82
Text Books and Supplies	12,255.60
Transportation	7,640.00
Tuition	1,905.47
Repairs	13,422.25
Outlay	1,852.47
Miscellaneous	3,264.59
Total	<u>\$226,887.04</u>

**RECEIPTS BY THE TOWN ON ACCOUNT OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

Massachusetts School Fund	\$18,508.00
Continuation School (State Reimbursement)	1,799.96
Continuation School (Tuition of Non- Residents)	704.64
Continuation School (Smith-Hughes Fund)	337.96
State Tuition (Wards)	516.72
City of Boston (Wards)	60.80
Miscellaneous	338.56
<hr/>	
Total	\$22,266.64
Net	\$204,620.40

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Electric Light Department
OF THE
TOWN OF BRAINTREE
FROM

Dec. 31, 1925 to Dec. 31, 1926

Printed by Order of the Town



Printed by
THE BRAINTREE OBSERVER
PRATT & PRATT, Publishers

1927

MANAGER'S REPORT

Braintree Electric Light Department

Municipal Light Board, Braintree, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the annual report of this department and include the financial statement as prescribed by the department of Public Utilities.

Three hundred and fifty one new service accounts were opened in 1926 making the present total (4019) four thousand inineteen.

Pole line extensions were made on forty five streets using 129 - 35 foot poles.

Replacements of old poles were made on forty streets using 96- 35 foot, 27- 40 foot, 3- 45 foot, and 2- 50 foot poles.

WIRE USED IN STREETS

Primary:

26,936 ft., No. O; 59,190 ft., No. 4; 18,180 ft., No. 6;	104,306
--	---------

Secondary:

600 ft., No., OO; 37635 ft., No. 4; 33,465 ft., No. 6;	71,700
--	--------

Street Lighting:

26,390 .ft, No. 6; 2,440 ft., No. 8, Twin Arc;	28,830
--	--------

House Connection:

300 ft., No. 2; 1,110 ft., No. 4;; 42,381 ft., No. 6; . . .	43,791
---	--------

Upward of 47 miles or total feet.	248,627
---	---------

Installation of street lights in Braintree Square, and also those at the Junction of Liberty and Commercial Streets have been held up by our inability to obtain material, but all 1926 applications will be installed before March 1, 1927. New Lights totaling 14,390 watts have been distributed over thirty four streets, making a total of 1264.

Street Lighting used 208,803 Kilo-		
watts @ .029c		\$6,055.28
Lamps renewed:		
1460-60 Watt @ 66c.....	\$963.60	
32-250 Watt @ \$1.17	37.44	
3-1000 Watt @ 2.56	7.68	
9-400 Watt @ 1.68	15.12	1,023.84
Fixtures replaced:		
12-Novalux @ 10.24	122.18	
60-G. E. Type @ 7.45	447.00	569.88
Wire Cable and Hardware used in		
repair		78.84
Labor-Repair 1200 hours @ 80c...		960.00
Patrolling and care of system		537.16
Total		<hr/> \$9,225.00

In reference to the propaganda recently given much publicity in the Boston papers and also in some of the local sheets relative to excessive lighting rates at this plant, we wish to state that it has always been the policy of the Municipal Lighting Board to give Service without partiality at the lowest possible cost, and as the business has grown in volume producing a material increase in Surplus it has been given back to the citizens in reduced rates, and as time goes by this policy will undoubtedly be continued and eventually in the near future it will result in Braintree Citizens having as cheap lighting rates as any other town in the state.

KILOWATTS GENERATED AT STATION, 1926

January	554,000
February	494,000
March	589,000
April	524,000
May	548,060

June	567,000
July	544,000
August	628,000
September	559,000
October	597,000
November	646,000
December	645,000

6,895,060

Power Purchased—Weymouth Light & Power Co.

21,000

Total 6,916,060

Distributed Thus:

General Lighting1,038,508

General Power1,050,063

Stedman Products—Power 2,428,030

Cities Service Refining—Power
1,102,000

Weymouth Light & Power—Power
48,960

Street Lighting208,803

Power Factor Correction146,000

Excitation Main Generator Motor
175,000

Circulating Water Motor143,500

Station & Office Estimate Light
15,000

Line Loss .0904 per cent560,195

Total6,916,060

OPERATING EXPENSE

Operation:

601—Superintending\$ 12,400.54

606—Boiler Fuel63,862.45

607—Water For Steam1,117.58

608-9—Miscellaneous Expenses	1,424.27	
	<hr/>	78,804.84

Maintenance: :

611—Station Structure	1,538.47	
612-4—Steam Equipment	2,477.00	
615-6—General Equipment	266.36	
634—Electric Energy Purchased	226.80	
	<hr/>	4,508.63

Transmission and Distribution

Operation:

638—Trans. and Dist. Lines \$	3,162.00	
639—Supplies and Expenses	127.49	
640-2—Meter and Transformer		
repair Labor	1,067.59	
	<hr/>	4,357.08

Maintenance:

647—Trans. and Dist. Lines	37,429.63	
650-1—Meters and Trans.	1,257.60	38,687.23

Utilization

Operation:

654—Street Lights	537.16	
-------------------	--------	--

Maintenance:

657—Street Lights	2,632.56	3,169.72
666—Salaries Municipal Board		
and Manager	5,300.04	
667—Salaries Office Clerks	7,442.12	
668—Office Expense	1,293.98	
671—Insurance	3,665.81	
675—Transportation Expenses	6,223.63	
677—Maintenance Structure	3.00	
678—Depreciation	12,923.07	36,851.65

Total		<hr/> \$ 166,379.15
-------	--	---------------------

Electric Operating Revenue

Commercial and Domestic:

Light	100,415.90	
Power	111,579.56	
Flatt Rate Sales to Private Consumers	1,040.83	
	<hr/>	213,036.29

Municipal Revenues:

Power	875.82	
Light	2,394.10	
Street Lighting	9,225.00	
	<hr/>	12,494.92

Total \$ 225,531.21

Income Statement

500—Operating Revenues ..	225,531.21	
600—Operating Expenses ..	166,379.15	
	<hr/>	59,152.16
Interest Income	379.17	
Merchandise and Jobbing	3,888.89	
	<hr/>	4,268.06

Total \$ 63,420.12

Interest on Bonds	1,400.00	
Miscellaneous Deductions	206.91	
	<hr/>	1,606.91

Income balance transferred to
Profit and Loss \$ 61,813.21

Profit & Loss Statement

401—Credit Balance, January 1, 1926	190,573.80	
402—Credit Balance transferred from Income	61,813.21	

403—Less Bonds Paid . . .	20,000.00
---------------------------	-----------

Total	<u>20,000.00</u>	\$ 232,387.01
-----------------	------------------	---------------

Investment Account

Land	1,065.00	
Structure	13,539.24	
Boiler Plant Equipment . .	59,761.09	
Prime Movers Auxiliaries	78,671.71	
Turbines	2,361.15	
Electric Plant Steam	36,655.04	
Overhead Lines, Poles & Fix- tures	71,563.04	
Consumers Meters	34,970.78	
Transformers	37,397.27	
	<u>335,984.32</u>	\$ 335,984.32

Utilization Equipment

Street Lighting Equipment	10,370.98	10,370.98
---------------------------	-----------	-----------

General Equipment

Office Equipment	2,547.62	
Transportation Equipment	4,784.18	
Laboratory Equipment . .	940.54	
Total Plant Investment . .		\$ 354,627.64

Balance Sheet Account

Assests

Investment:

Plant Investment	\$ 354,627.64
----------------------------	---------------

Current Assests:

Cash Operating FFund . .	5,815.00	
Cash Depreciation Fund .	22,154.01	
	<u>27,969.01</u>	\$ 27,969.01

Accounts Receivable

Electric Material	571.69	
Light Consumers	6,976.46	
Power Consumers	10,202.19	
	<hr/>	17,750.34

Inventories

Material & Supplies	20,059.27
--------------------------	-----------

Prepaid Accounts

Prepaid Insurance	2,425.86
-------------------------	----------

Total	<hr/>	\$ 422,832.12
-------------	-------	---------------

Liabilities**Appropriations:**

Appro. for Construction	46,168.74
-------------------------	-----------

Current Liabilities:

Bills Payable	11,276.37
---------------------	-----------

Appropriate Surplus::

Loans Repayment	103,000.00
----------------------	------------

Bonds	30,000.00
-------------	-----------

Profit & Loss	232,387.01
---------------------	------------

Total	<hr/>	\$422,832.12
-------------	-------	--------------

OPERATION FUND**Debit**

Balance of December 31,

1925	2,059.49
------------	----------

Receipts—Consumers ...	213,863.72
------------------------	------------

Sundries	10,244.04
----------------	-----------

Street Lighting	9,225.00
-----------------------	----------

Interest Receipts	156.35
-------------------------	--------

	<hr/>	\$ 235,548.60
--	-------	---------------

Credit

Bills Payable December 31,		
1925	18,090.22	
Transferred to Depreciation		
Cash	11,613.55	
Plant Renewals "Additions"	36,302.89	
Operation	153,456.08	
Bonds	10,000.00	
Stock	270.86	
Balance on Hand Dec. 31,		
1926	5,815.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$ 235,548.60

Depreciation Account**Debit**

Balance January 1, 1926	10,317.64	
Amount Transferred from		
Income	11,613.55	
Income from Interest	222.82	
	<hr/>	
		\$ 22,154.01

Credit

Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1926	\$ 22,154.01
Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1926	\$ 5,815.00

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the accounts of Fred B. Lawrence, Manager, of the Braintree Electric Light Department; and approve same. Cash received and paid to Town Treasurer as per cash Book \$ 235,548.60. We

have examined the inventories in the report and compared same with stock on hand and approve them as rendered.

Bills Payable Dec. 31, 1926	\$ 11,276.37	
Bills Receivable	571.69	
Consumers Light Account	6,976.46	
Consumers Power Account	10,202.19	
	<hr/>	
		\$ 17,750.34

RALPH W. ARNOLD,
PAUL MONAGHAN,
HERBERT W. CURTIS,
Auditors 1926.

January 29, 1927.

WARRANT

FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING



February 1, 1927.

NORFOLK, ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Braintree. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified to vote in elections therein to meet at the polling places in their respective Precincts, to wit:

Polling place in Precinct 1, Town Hall.

Polling place in Precinct 2, Legion Building, Hollis Avenue.

Polling place in Precinct 3, Hose House, Allen Street.

On Monday, the seventh day of March, 1927, at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in to the wardens of their respective Precincts their votes on the official ballot for a Moderator, Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of three years, three Overseers of the Poor, three Highway Surveyors, three Auditors, a Tax Collector, a Tree Warden, two members of the School Committee for a term of three

years, one member of the School Committee for a term of two years to fill vacancy, two Trustees of the Thayer Public Library for a term of two years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one Water Commissioner and Commissioner of Sinking Funds for a term of three years, one member of the Municipal Lighting Board for a term of three years, one Park Commissioner for a term of three years, five members of the Planning Board for a term of one year, and fifteen Constables.

The polls will be opened at five forty-five o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at three o'clock in the afternoon.

You are further directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants qualified to vote as aforesaid to meet at the Town Hall in said Braintree, on Monday, the fourteenth day of March, 1927, at seven forty-five o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To choose all Town Officers, except those elected by ballot.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will hold its Treasurer harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 4. To see if the Town will hold its Tax Collector harmless on his bond from any loss which may arise from the failure of any National Bank or

Trust Company in which the funds of the Town may be on deposit, said Bank or Trust Company being designated by the Selectmen.

Article 5. To hear and act upon the report of the several boards of Town Officers, and any committee, and to choose any committee the Town may think proper.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for salaries of the Town Officers and the expense of the several departments, including Town Counsel, the bond of the Town Treasurer and the bond of the Tax Collector.

Article 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of Registration and Elections.

TOWN HALL

Article 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Town Hall and for the services of Janitors.

CHARITIES

Article 9. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the poor, maintenance and repairs of the Braintree Home, the salaries of the superintendent and matron of the Braintree Home, the salary of the Visitor, salaries of the Overseers of the Poor, and the purchase of equipment for the Welfare Department.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under Chapter 118 of the General Laws.

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Article 11. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of State Aid, military aid, soldiers' burials and soldiers' relief.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Article 12. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries, pensions and expenses of its Police Department, and for the necessary expenses required for the enforcement of the law, including court expenses, and the purchase of equipment for said department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Article 13. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support and maintenance of the Fire Department, for the purchase of new apparatus or equipment therefor, and for hydrant service.

Article 14. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire alarm system, and for the purchase and installation of the new fire alarm boxes.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to report to the next Annual Town Meeting on the subject of the construction and erection of a building to house the Police Department and the Headquarters of the Fire Department, or either of said departments.

INSPECTION

Article 16. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the sealing of weights and measures.

Article 17. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of the Inspector of Buildings and expenses of his department.

Article 18. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of the Inspector of Wires, and for the expenses of his department.

FORESTRY

Article 19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths, care and planting of trees, and forest fires.

Article 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of the Town having a forest.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to pay for its share of the expense of erecting the Fire Observation Tower on Turkey Hill in Holbrook.

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article 22. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salaries and expenses of the Board of Health, including contagious diseases, vital statistics, inspection of milk, animals, slaughtering, meat and provisions and plumbing, dental clinic and tuberculosis nursing, the collection of garbage and the collection of ashes.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,179.97, being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners upon the Town for the care,

maintenance and repairs of the Tuberculosis Hospital, in accordance with Chapter 286 of the General Acts of 1916.

Article 24. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 535 of the Acts of 1910, authorizing the construction of a system of sewerage.

Article 25. To see if the Town will accept Chapter 546 of the Acts of 1910, providing for the addition of the Town to the South Metropolitan Sewerage System.

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums as may be necessary for the construction of sewerage and drainage within the Town and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of any general or special act, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purpose or take any action relative thereto.

HIGHWAYS

Article 27. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Highway Department, including salaries, repairs of highways, town ways and bridges; also, for repairs and building sidewalks, stone roads, removal of snow, oiling streets, and purchase of equipment for said department.

Article 28. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of permanent sidewalks.

Article 29. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for street lighting.

Article 30. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild

the whole or any section or sections of Washington Street, from Capen's Bridge to Central Avenue, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding Independence Avenue from the Quincy Line to Capen's Bridge, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow such further sums for the purpose of carrying out Decree No. 607 of the County Commissioners in regard to the widening and relocation of Commercial Street and Quincy Avenue to the Weymouth Town Line or act in any manner in relation thereto.

Article 33. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair and rebuild Union Street, from the location of Washington Street in South Braintree to Commercial Street in East Braintree, and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow all or any part of said sums in accordance with the provisions of law, authorizing the Town to borrow for such purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairing and

rebuilding of Pond Street west of Glendale Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Park Avenue, from Brewster Avenue to Putnam Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 36. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of Arbutus Avenue, from Standish Avenue to Washington Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 37. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of sidewalks on Summer Street in South Braintree, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair Granite Street from Five Corners in a southerly direction about 2,000 lineal feet or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild May Avenue, with a sidewalk on one side of the street from Hollis Avenue to Washington Street.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild Hollingsworth Avenue from West Street to a private way—Western Avenue—so-called.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild Holmes Street from Fairfield Street to Washington St.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair and rebuild Walnut Street from Monatiquot Avenue to Hollis Ave.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct and build a sidewalk on the westerly side of Independence Avenue from Quincy Line to Center Street.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a drain with catch basin on Morrison Road.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install catch basins and drain Hollinsworth Avenue.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a drain with catch basins on Cleveland Avenue and Union Street.

Article 47. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction of a suitable sidewalk on Quincy Avenue from Allen Street to the Quincy Line.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to widen, straighten and relocate Liberty Street, beginning at the Charles Buker Estate and extending as far as the Mabel C. Lyons Estate on said Liberty Street, running north.

Article 49. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the rebuilding and repairing of Liberty Street from No. 385 Liberty Street to a point 1,800 feet south.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to take by eminent domain for highway purpose land on Plain Street between the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. bridge and Liberty Street, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way Bellevue Avenue, from Washington Street to Phillips Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Standish Avenue, so-called, from Arbutus Avenue to Myrtle Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Brow Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Brow Avenue Extension, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Wampatuck Road, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money, for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Massachusetts Avenue, so-called, from

Washington Street to Arbutus Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Waldron Road, so-called running westerly from Washington Street as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said Waldron Road, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hillview Road, so-called, running westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said Hillview Road, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsworth Street, so-called, leading from Mt. Vernon Street, easterly, then turning northerly to West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Common Street, so-called, from Washington Street to Sunnyside Park, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 61. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Gardner Terrace, so-called, leading westerly from Washington Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Walnut Street Extension, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 63. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, the northerly Extension of Oak Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 64. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Ellsmore Terrace, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 65. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Hilltop Road, so-called, off West Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 66. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Marshall Street, so-called, or any part thereof, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and

appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 67. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Miller Street, so-called, or any part thereof, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessments of betterments or therwise.

Article 68. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Abbot Street, so-called, 600 feet west-erly from Storrs Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the im-provement of said way to be expended under the pro-visions of law authorizing the assessment of better,ments, or otherwise.

Article 69. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Cabot Avenue, so-called, 320 feet west of Cleveland Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improve-ment of said way to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 70. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Drinkwater Avenue, so-called, 450 feet from Elm Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improve-ment of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 71. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Devon Road, so-called, leading easterly and southerly from Drinkwater Avenue, 500 feet, as

laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 72. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Burroughs Road, so-called, 440 feet from Elm Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 73. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Dobson Road, so-called, from Commercial Street to Hobart Street, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Pleasant View Avenue, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, from Quincy Avenue to the water front and make an appropriation of a sum of money to resurface the said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 75. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Inglewood Street, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 76. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Argyle Road, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of

money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 77. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Edge Hill Road Extension, from Edge Hill Road to Vinedale Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 78. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, that part of Elmlawn Road, as laid out by the Selectmen, and not heretofore accepted, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 79. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a town way, Wilkins Road, so-called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of said way, to be expended under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, or otherwise.

Article 80. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Harding Avenue, so-called, 350 feet westerly from Cleveland Aveneu.

Article 81. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Staten Road, so-called.

Article 82. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to lay out as a town way, Bower Road, so-called.

Article 83. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen, to lay out a town way, Brookside Road, so-called, running southerly from Commercial Street to Stetson Street.

Article 84. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Primrose Street, so-called (off Arborway Drive) to Audubon Road, so-called.

Article 85. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Audubon Road, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Vinedale Road, so-called.

Article 86. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out, as a town way, Trefton Drive, so-called, from Quincy Avenue to Vinedale Road, so-called.

Article 87. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, to lay out as a town way, Ferncroft Road, so-called, from Glenrose Avenue, so-called, to Arborway Drive, so-called.

Article 88. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairing and rebuilding of West Street, and in addition to the money heretofore appropriated at the annual Town Meeting of 1924 and 1925.

LIBRARY

Article 89. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Thayer Public Library, for the distribution of books, and for the services of a janitor.

RECREATION

Article 90. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate to be expended upon Parks,

Playgrounds and Public Lands of the Town, under the direction of the Park Commissioners.

Article 91. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to defray the expense of organized play or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 92. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to remove from the lower part of Hollis Field enough loam to grade the ball field.

Article 93. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for park or playground purposes, land on the shore of Sunset Lake, contiguous to that now owned by the Town at the corner of Pond and Washington Streets and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 94. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain, land of Mary Leatherbee on the easterly side of Tremont Street, bordering on French's Common, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase or taking of this land, or take any other action relative thereto.

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Article 95. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Electric Light Department the sum of \$12,923.07 for Depreciation Fund; the sum of \$300.00 for the salaries of the Municipal Light Board; the sum of \$10,000.00 for the Bonds, and the balance together with the unexpended balance of \$5,815.00 of the year 1926 for operating expenses, renewals, repairs and new construction.

WATER DEPARTMENT

Article 96. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the income of the Water Department

the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of the Water Commissioners, and the balance for operating expenses, extensions, renewals, repairs, new construction, and expenses of said department.

Article 97. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to continue the six-inch water main from dead end on Lakeview Avenue, through to Franklin Street, a distance of about 150 feet.

Article 98. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the extension of the water mains on Grove Street, from Plain Street to Liberty Street.

EDUCATION

Article 99. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Schools.

Article 100. To see what further sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and equipping the new high school.

Article 101. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of furnishing the Penniman School.

Article 102. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase or taking by eminent domain of land for school purposes as recommended by the Sites Committee.

Article 103. To see if the Town will vote to rescind so much of the vote under article 104 of the annual town meeting of 1926 as pertained to the taking by eminent domain of land in Braintree Highlands, known as Popple Island.

Article 104. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase or take by eminent domain, land for school purposes in that part of Braintree known as Braintree Highlands, or take any other action relative thereto.

CEMETERY

Article 105. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and protection of the Plain Street Cemetery and for the laying out and grading of lots in said Cemetery.

Article 106. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of a superintendent of the Plain Street Cemetery.

Article 107. To see if the Town will vote to accept a legacy of \$200.00 provided for in the will of George W. Kelley, late of Rockland, or take any action relative thereto.

INTEREST—MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Article 108. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the payments due on the Municipal Indebtedness and for the payment of interest on Town debt and on loans in anticipation of revenue.

MISCELLANEOUS

Article 109. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

Article 110. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to assist Post 87, G. A. R., Braintree Post 86, American Legion, and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lennon-Murray Post No. 923, in defraying expenses of Memorial Day.

Article 111. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the insurance under the Employees' Compensation Act.

Article 112. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay premiums on insurance policies of fire and liability.

Article 113. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to put a curbing around the driveway, regrade the lawn, and set out trees in front of the Legion Building on Washington Street.

PLANNING BOARD

Article 114. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of the Zoning Committee, appointed in accordance with the vote of the Town under Article 109 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926, and adopt the zoning by-law as recommended in said report, or take any action with reference thereto.

Article 115. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Planning Board in the preparation of a comprehensive town plan.

Article 116. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 2, Article VII of the Town By-Laws for the purpose of changing the length of term of office of members of the Planning Board so that the members of said board shall hold office for a term of three years and in such a manner that the terms of not more than two members shall expire in any one year.

UNCLASSIFIED

Article 117. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for engineering.

Article 118. To see what sums of money, in addition to that appropriated under any other article, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for land damages resulting from taking of any land for highway purposes.

Article 119. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate for suitable street signs and signals.

Article 120. To see if the Town will vote to re-value properties throughout the Town and to see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate to defray the expense of a Commission of five, which shall be appointed by the State Tax Commissioner, and which shall consist of three non-resident experts and two residents of the Town, whose duty it shall be to re-value properties in the Town of Braintree.

Article 121. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to have printed and published in book form the assessed value of all property in the Town of Braintree, as the same appears in the Assessors' books for the year 1926, and to see if the town will appoint a committee of three who shall have full access to the Assessors' books, no one of said committee to be chosen from those now holding an elective town office.

Article 122. To see what action the Town will take under Article XLVIII of the amendments to the constitution covering the proper initiative, namely II, Section 3, for "An Act to permit certain sports and games on the Lord's Day."

Article 123. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain, certain land on the northerly side of Wynot Road, in part for school and in part for Park purposes and raise and appropriate a

sum of money for the same, and for the taking of land by eminent domain on said Road for highway purposes.

Article 124. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, to dispose of a piece of land in South Braintree Square, now belonging to it, and accepted as a gift under article 99 of the Annual Town Meeting of the year 1924.

Article 125. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for dredging the channel of the Fore River, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 126. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of electric lights from Five Corners to a point about 2,000 feet south of said Five Corners, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 127. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect one pole, and install one street light half way between Franklin Street and the present light at the corner of Lakeview Avenue and Sumner Avenue.

Article 128. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for highway purposes land on Pond Street belonging either to Avis A. Thayer or the heirs of Moses Dyer, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 129. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain for cemetery purposes land bordering on the present Plain Street Cemetery and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Article 130. To see if the Town will vote to repeal Section 17 of Article 10 of the By-Laws which

now provides:—"Section 17. Whenever an existing private way, the fee of which is in the abutters, shall be laid out for the acceptance of the Town as a Town way, the documents relating to such laying out shall be accompanied by a letter from the Selectmen, which shall be filed in the office of the Town Clerk, together with said documents, before such way shall be accepted. This letter shall state that such private way is well built; and that, as constructed, it is equal to the average construction of the existing highways of the Town."

Article 131. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with Chapter 654 of the Acts of 1913, as a Reserve Fund.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof in three public places in each voting Precinct in said Town of Braintree, ten days at least before said seventh day of March, 1927, and by publishing the same one each week for two successive weeks in the Braintree Observer, first publication to be at least eight days before said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Braintree, this seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.

JONATHAN W. FRENCH

SHELLEY A. NEAL,

EDWARD AVERY,

Selectmen of Braintree.

A true copy. Attest:

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Braintree, Mass., February 11, 1927.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Braintree, qualified as expressed therein, to meet at the time and places mentioned for the purposes therein mentioned.

JOHN J. HEANEY,

Constable of Braintree.

Jury List

As prepared by the Selectmen, February 1st, 1927

Adams, Clarence B. E., 78 Front Street, salesman.
Allen, Frank, Central Avenue, railroad employe.
Anderson, Conrad A., 246 Washington St., draftsman.
Angier, George A., 46 Central Avenue, shoeworker.
Appleyard, James T., 119 Shaw Street, carpet layer.
Atkinson, Courtenay, 14 Union Street, clerk.
Bailey, Charles H. H., 6 Taylor Street, postmaster.
Bean, Irving M. 61 Mt. Vernon Avenue, manager.
Bennett, Charles M., 33 Cochato Road, clerk.
Bates, C. Irving, 10 Shaw Street, manager.
Bloom, Morris, 19 Commercial Street, merchant.
Brady, Walter C., 11 Claremont Street, manager.
Binney, Henry D., 33 Mt. Vernon Street, clerk.
Buckley, George T., Oak Street, conductor.
Bunker, Will A., 144 Middle Street, machinist.
Burns, Frank W., 46 Prescott Lane, teamster.
Cahill, Edward D., 65 Hobart Street, grocer.
Cain, Theron I., 44 Plymouth Avenue, artist.
Cassell, William H., 179 Commercial Street, shoecutter.
Cook, Philip R., 16 Ardmore Street, salesman.
Cassidy, Clarence W., 92 Argyle Road, bursar.
Donnelly, Robert J., Sterling Street, carpenter.
Delorey, Walter E., Front Street, shoeworker.
Dosenberg, Carl, 4 Marietta Avenue, machinist.
Ellis, Fred R., 26 N. Bowditch Street, moulder.
Ellsworth, Alfred E., Hilltop Road, clerk.
Faulkner, Frank L., Faulkner Place, real estate.
Faustini, Luigi, Quincy Avenue, carpenter.
Fuglested, J. Alfred, Venus Road, painter.
Gogan, George L., 30 Robinson Avenue, clerk.

Goodnow, Fred, 1350 Washington Street, musician.
 Hale, Thomas I., 33 Adams Street, machinist.
 Hastings, Arthur H., 70 Hollis Avenue, clerk.
 Hollis, Albert F., 39 Taylor Street, janitor.
 Jones, Jesse W., Washington Street, electrician.
 Kiley, Patrick, 23 Commercial Street, clerk.
 King, Herbert W., Somerville Avenue, carpenter.
 Lord, Frank P., 11 Stetson Street, clerk.
 Matthews, Charles W., 244 Liberty Street, farmer.
 Mattie, James F., 670 Commercial Street, farmer.
 McRae, Edward A., 124 Hobart Street, painter.
 Miller, Charles O., 38 Liberty Street, banker.
 Monaghan, Paul, 125 Plain Street, mason.
 Morrison, Archie, 7 Liberty Street, clerk.
 Mulligan, Thomas, Jr., 221 Commercial St., R. R. em.
 Pearson, Isaac E., 231 Franklin St., custom house em.
 Powers, William J., 84 Front Street, plumber.
 Robery, John P., 304 Liberty Street, farmer.
 Saunders, Howard M., 130 Phillips Street, shoeworker.
 Sprague, George T., Bellevue Road, clerk.
 Stackhouse, Gordon, 18 NC. Bowditch St., painter.
 Stevens, George W., 75 Tremont Street, jeweller.
 Sullivan, John J., 321 Commercial St., laborer.
 Temple, Charles C., 69 Liberty Street, builder.
 Thayer, Louis W., 71 Tremont Street, clerk.
 Tobey, Charles H., Washington Street, accountant.
 Vinton, Harry F., River Street, insurance.
 Walker, Frank H., 35 Hollingsworth Ave., bookkeeper.
 Walker, George A., 15 Lincoln Street, manufacturer.
 Wentworth, Frank E., 381 Liberty Street, retired.
 Wilkins, Benjamin T., 508 Commercial Street, teamster.
 Tagen, Thomas H., 2 Liberty Street, auditor.
 Tarbox, Charles F., 22 Miller Avenue, teamster.
 Tardif, Philemon, 23 Hobart Street, painter.

Town Officers for 1926

Moderator

WILLIAM F. ROGERS

Town Clerk

HENRY A. MONK

Town Treasurer

OTIS B. OAKMAN

Selectmen, Highway Surveyors and Overseers of the Poor

JONATHAN W. FRENCH

SHELLEY A. NEAL

EDWARD AVERY

Assessors

EDWARD AVERY

Term Expires 1927

WALTER O. HASTINGS

Term Expires 1928

CHARLES S. HANNAFORD

Term Expires 1929

Auditors

RALPH W. ARNOLD

PAUL MONAGHAN

HERBERT W. CURTIS

Water Commissioners and Commissioners of Sinking Funds

CHARLES B. CUMMINGS

Term Expires 1927

WILLIAM C. HARRISON

Term Expires 1928

GEORGE H. WALKER

Term Expires 1929

Municipal Light Board

ALEXANDER A. CARSON

Term Expires 1927

CHARLES T. CRANE

Term Expires 1928

NORTON P. POTTER

Term Expires 1929

Board of Health

WILLIS H. MARTIN

Term Expires 1927

JOSEPH G. BAILEY

Term Expires 1928

PERCY T. RICHARDS

Term Expires 1929

School Committee

RALPH W. WOODSUM	Term Expires 1929
CARRIE F. LORING	Term Expires 1929
ALIDA N. STEVENS	Term Expires 1928
HENRY D. HIGGINS	Term Expires 1928
FRANKLIN H. MERRIAM	Term Expires 1927
C. FREDERICK TARBOX	Term Expires 1927

Trustees of the School Funds

Term Expires 1928

HERBERT F. KNEELAND	ELMER E. ABERCROMBIE
ARTHUR L. HALE	OTIS B. OAKMAN
WILLIAM H. HEATH	HENRY F. ARNOLD
JOHN HARDING	

Park Commissioners

ALBERT F. HOLLIS	Term Expires 1929
LAWRENCE A. TRAINOR	Term Expires 1928
JOHN N. RODGERS	Term Expires 1927

Trustees of Thayer Public Library

ALBERT E. AVERY	HERBERT F. KNEELAND
JOHN W. HARDING	Term Expires 1927
AMY C. MANNING	Term Expires 1927

Fence Viewers

THOMAS F. CROKE	ALBERT R. QUALEY
HARRY C. LAKE	

Tax Collector, OTIS B. OAKMAN**Tree Warden, CLARENCE R. BESTICK****Treasurer, OTIS B. OAKMAN****Constables**

HARVEY J. ANNIS	JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN
CLARENCE R. BESTICK	CHRISTOPHER M. GARLAND
JOHN J. HEANEY	CHARLES S. HANNAFORD
MARK HENNEBURY	CHARLES A. HOBART
AUGUST JOHNSON	JOHN P. SHAY
N. ERIC NELSON	HARRY F. VINTON
THOMAS SLAVIN	AUGUSTUS T. WENTWORTH
WALTER S. BELYEA	W. GORDON STACKHOUSE

Surveyors of Wood and Weighers of Hay

CHARLES G. SHEPPARD	WILFORD F. WOODSUM
FRED W. PERCY	

Measurers of Lumber

HERBERT W. BORDEN SHELLEY A. NEAL
CHARLES O. MILLER

Planning Board

THERON I. CAIN
 ARTHUR G. CHAPMAN
 MERTON A. TURNER
 WALLACE WILSON
 MARK HENNEBURY

OFFICERS APPOINTED

Police

JEREMIAH F. GALLIVAN, Chief	
AUGUST JOHNSON	JOHN J. HEANEY
JOHN P. SHAY	NELS E. NELSON
HARVEY J. ANNIS	WALTER S. BELYEA
CHRISTOPHER M. GARLAND	
JOHN J. HEANEY, Appt. Chief	

Measurer of Leather, EDWARD H. DRINKWATER

Field Drivers

CHRISTOPHER M. GARLAND THOMAS SLAVIN
JOSEPHUS SAMPSON

Engineers of Fire Department

FRED A. TENNEY, Chief

Deputies

J. SAMUEL HILL FRANK O. WHITMARSH

Superintendent of Fire Alarm, FRED B. LAWRENCE

Moderator

WILLIAM F. ROGERS

Town Clerk

HENRY A. MONK

Town Treasurer

OTIS B. OAKMAN

Selectmen, Highway Surveyors and Overseers of the Poor

JONATHAN W. FRENCH SHELLEY A. NEAL

EDWARD AVERY

Assessors

EDWARD AVERY	Term Expires 1927
WALTER O. HASTINGS	Term Expires 1928
CHARLES S. HANNAFORD	Term Expires 1929

Auditors

RALPH W. ARNOLD PAUL MONAGHAN
HERBERT W. CURTIS

Board of Registrars

WILLIAM ALLEN

CHARLES B. CUMMINGS

JOSEPH DRINKWATER

Sealer of Weights and Measures, CHARLES S. HANNAFORD

Inspector of Animals, JOSEPHUS SAMPSON

Assistant Inspector of Animals, ALFRED H. HOLBROOK

Inspector of Meats and Provisions, JOHN J. HEANEY

Inspector of Plumbing, J. EDWARD LUDDEN

Forest Warden, FRED A. TENNEY

Local Moth Superintendent, WILLIAM J. McCUSKER

Burial Agent, CHARLES S. HANNAFORD

Superintendent of Braintree Home, JAMES T. CHRISTIAN

Superintendent of Streets, FRED AUSTERBERRY

Pound Keeper, JAMES T. CHRISTIAN

Inspector of Wires, AUGUSTUS T. WENTWORTH

Appropriation Committee

EDWARD J. SULLIVAN

WALTER R. HOWLAND

JOSEPH LANDERS

ISAAC PEARSON

FRED L. HAYDEN

BERNARD R. ANDREWS

WALTER K. CARSON

HARRY F. ARNOLD

GEORGE L. ANDERSON

JOHN W. HARDING

CHARLES O. MILLER

J. HERBERT WALSH

CHARLES A. POWERS

HENRY McCUSKER

PERCY A. GIBSON

WILLIAM D. AITKEN

INDEX

Accountant's Report	176
Assessor's Report	237
Balance Sheet	214
Births in 1926	82
Board of Health, Report of	227
Deaths in 1926	102
Dental Clinic, Report of	121
Dog License Account	81
Electric Light Department, Report of	319
Expenditures	184
Fire Department, Report of	155
Funded Debt of Town	119
Friendly Aid Association	121
Highway Department, Report of	250
Hunter's License Account	81
Inspector of Animals, Report of	126
Inspector of Meats, Report of	127
Inspector of Milk, Report of	232
Inspector of Plumbing, Report of	231
Inspector of Buildings	236
Jury List	355
Marriages of 1926	91
Park Commissioners, Report of Board of	172
Planning Board, Report of	165
Police Department, Report of	124
Recapitulation Table	217
Receipts	176
School Committee, Report of	265
Sealer of Weights and Measures, Report of	223
Selectmen, Report of	176
State Primaries, Report of	68
Tax Collector's Report	109
Thayer Public Library, Report of Trustees of	246
Town Clerk's Report	3
Town Officers for 1926	357
Treasurer's Report	111
Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of 1927	331
Water Commissioners, Report of	129
Welfare Worker	234

RULES AND DIRECTIONS IN CASE OF FIRE.

To give an alarm of Fire, open door, pull hook down once and let go; then shut door, stay at box and direct the Firemen to the fire.

Second alarm is to be given by the Chief or some one in authority. It is to be given by repeating the first.

Two Blows, fire all out.

Two Blows at 12:00. noon test.

Three Blows, Chief's Call.

Four Blows, to open draw bridge.

One Blow, call lineman.

2-2-2, Lost child call.

Box test, at noon Saturdays.

Five Blows, woods fire, So. Braintree district.

Six Blows, woods fire, Braintree district.

Seven Blows, woods fire, East Braintree district.

Out-of-town calls: Quincy 50; Weymouth, 66; Randolph, 71; Holbrook, 88. Vacancy of apparatus answering call to be covered by Squad A.

Do not pull box for woods fire, call Central Station. No School Signal on stormy days, 3-2-1 will be sounded on the fire alarm; no session for all grades at 7:30 A. M. No session for first four grades 2:00; no session for all grades 11:30; no session for first four grades 12:00.

Chief's Res. Tel. 0016.

Central Fire Station, 0813.

East Braintree Station, 0250.

NUMBER AND LOCATION OF BOXES

Precinct 1.

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 41 Union and Middle Sts. | 143 Washington and Pond Sts. |
| 42 Union and Wash. Sts. | 145 Fountain St. |
| 43 Pearl and Wash. Sts. | 146 Plain and Grove Sts. |
| 45 Pearl St., Opp. Shoe Factory. | 147 Pond and Town Sts. |
| 46 Hancock St., Hollings'h Estate. | 441 Franklin St. and Central Ave. |
| 47 Pond St., near She'd's Ice House | 411 Liberty and Middle Sts. |
| 48 Five Corners. | 442 Tremont St. and Holman Ave. |
| 51 Hancock St. and Highland Ave. | 444 Reclamation Plant. |
| 52 Wash. St. and Standish Ave. | 446 Monatiquet Rubber Co. |
| 53 Norfolk County Hospital. | 471 Pond and Granite Sts. |
| 54 Wash. St. and Division St. | 511 Peach and Liberty Sts. |

Precinct 2.

- | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 31 Elm and Middle Sts. | 131 Cedar and Pleasant Sts. |
| 32 River and Middle Sts. | 134 Washington and Commercial Sts. |
| 34 Washington and Elm Sts. | 135 West and Mt. Vernon Sts. |
| 35 Washington and West Sts. | 351 Clark St. |
| 36 Ash St. and Hollis Ave. | 311 Elm St. Drinkwater's Tavern |
| 37 Walnut St. and Hollis Ave. | 312 Holmes St. |
| 38 Wash. St., opp. Monatiquet Sch. | |

Precinct 3.

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 21 Quincy Ave. and Hayward St. | 221 Hayward and Howard Sts. |
| 23 Quincy Ave. and Comm'l St. | 211 Edgemont Road. |
| 24 Elliot St. | 223 Pleasant View Ave. |
| 25 Allen and Commercial Sts. | 225 Liberty St. (Rhine Green St.) |
| 26 Allen and Shaw Sts. | 226 Shaw St. and Cottage Ave. |
| 27 Commer'l St. and Factory Hill. | 227 Hobart and Prospect Sts. |
| 29 Commercial and Elm Sts. | 231 Comm'l St. and Elm Knoll Rd. |
| 123 Beechwood and Arthur Sts. | 232 Union St. Cottage Hill |
| 125 Liberty and Lisle Sts. | |